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Grieving begins for Air France families

**CRASH** A man celebrating his birthday; a group of workers returning from a vacation award; a woman who had just recovered from a brain injury.

As with any airline disaster, there were stories of cruel coincidences and bright young lives cut short by the crash of Air France Flight 447, which was confirmed yesterday by Brazil's military.

"My son died on his birthday," said a tearful Diana Raquel, mother of British-based Brazilian dentist Jose Rommel Amorim.

Among the 216 passengers and 12 crew was Brad Clemes, 49, a Coca-Cola executive who was born and raised in Guelph, Ont., and lived in Belgium. **REUTERS**

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# Explosive allegations

## A third Halifax police officer files human rights complaint

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**A veteran Halifax Regional Police officer claims he has been passed over for promotions because of his skin colour despite having the skills necessary for the positions he pursued.**

Const. Charles Bruce, an African Nova Scotian who has spent 16 years protecting citizens, announced yesterday he has filed a human rights complaint against both the local police force and the municipality.

He joins Sgt. Robyn Atwell and former police officer Lewis Cain in filing complaints with the Nova Scotia Human Rights Commission based on race.

All three allege that systemic racism continues to poison Halifax Regional Police.

"It's not all great within the police department," Bruce, who received HRP's investigator of the year award in 2001, told a room full of reporters at the Halifax North Memorial Public Library on Gottingen Street.

Bruce said he felt "singled out" when he was forced to move from the force's drug unit, a job he enjoyed, to the major crime division, while white officers with less experience were allowed to stay behind.

He said he later applied to both the K9 division and the SWAT team, but was again turned down in favour of junior officers.

"What we're asking for folks, is a level playing



Sgt. Robyn Atwell, from left, Const. Charles Bruce and former police officer Lewis Cain sit next to one another during a press conference at the Halifax North Memorial Public Library yesterday. All three have filed human rights complaints against the Halifax Regional Police force.

**"We, of course, need a safer city and it's not going to be safe if our police officers, who are protecting us, are themselves saying 'we're the victims of racism.'"**

Halifax lawyer Rocky Jones

field," he said, explaining the most qualified person should get the position regardless of race, gender or age.

Bruce said he feels violence is happening within

the police department, pointing to an instance when a supervisor kicked out his chair, propelling him forward into the table. "It was a sheer humiliation."

Halifax lawyer Rocky Jones said yesterday it has taken incredible courage for Bruce, Atwell and Cain to come forward with their stories of discrimination. "There is something extremely wrong in the Halifax police department, and in Halifax in general," Jones said. "We, of course, need a safer city and it's not going to be safe if our police officers, who are protecting us, are themselves saying 'we're the victims of racism.'"

## HRP keep quiet on racism claims

**CITY** Halifax Regional Police aren't commenting on yesterday's allegations of racism.

Police spokesman Const. Brian Palmeter said the force's policy is to work solely through the Human Rights Commission's process.

"We aren't prepared to play this out in the media," he said. "We're going to work (through) the process in place that is designed to deal with such complaints."

Palmeter said the police force has filed an official response to the human rights complaints and is waiting to see what happens next.

The HRP had to change their policies on race relations training after North Preston heavyweight boxer Kirk Johnson won a human rights complaint against the force in 2003. The force had to pay Johnson, who is black, \$10,000 in damages after he alleged he was pulled over 29 times in 11 months and had his car improperly impounded.

The force was ordered to review its anti-racism policies. Halifax Regional Municipality Mayor Peter Kelly said yesterday at city hall "there's always concern" when allegations are raised, but said the Human Rights Commission has to deal with the complaints before the municipality can respond.

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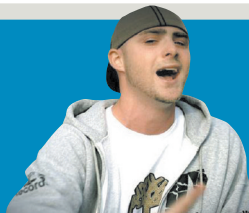


**Long-serving politician dies at age 85**

Former Conservative MLA Dr. Gerard Sheehy, 85, died Monday. Sheehy entered public life in 1965 as Middleton town councillor and deputy mayor. He was elected MLA for Annapolis East in 1970 and held the post until 1988. In government he served several times on cabinet, including as minister of health. **METRO HALIFAX**

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# Local



## No explanation required

Enfield rapper Classified is ending his Canadian tour with a performance Friday at The Palace at 10 p.m. The Juno-nominated and East Coast Music Award winner is touring in support of his major label debut *Self-Explanatory*, which includes the hit *Anybody Listening?* Special guests include Chad Hatcher, Mic Boyd, J-Bru and DJ IV. Tickets are \$25 in advance and \$30 the day of the show. **METRO HALIFAX**

# Leaders' debate deflated

Restriction on interaction created basic question-and-answer

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### It was a debate without much debate.

The second and final election leaders' debate took place yesterday in Baddeck. The three main party leaders took a wide range of questions from Nova Scotians, but because of the restrictive format, couldn't really interact with each other.

Instead they each had one chance to speak per question, and then moved on. The candidates were clearly all trying for the same demeanour — calm, cool and collected.

Premier Rodney MacDonald stood from his chair and walked a couple steps forward each time he spoke, while NDP Leader Darrell Dexter and Liberal Leader Stephen McNeil remained seated when talking.

The leaders spent most of the debate outlining different parts of their platforms, while fitting in some mild swipes at each other.

There was one breach of rules when Dexter made a comment about how all three parties initially voted



Liberal Leader Stephen McNeil, left, NDP Leader Darrell Dexter and Progressive Conservative Leader Rodney MacDonald sit prior to the start of last night's debate at the Alexander Graham Bell Museum in Baddeck.

for gas regulation. McNeil, who wants to repeal legislation, tried to interject that the statement was misleading.

CBC debate host Norma Lee MacLeod shut him down.

"There was an amendment to that legislation," McNeil said to Dexter.

"On a point of order, I'm sorry, the rules do not allow

this," MacLeod interrupted. "When it's inaccurate..." McNeil began.

"In your closing statement you can have time to correct," she said.

CBC flexed its technological might by allowing questions via Twitter, Facebook, email and video uplink.

One Twitter question turned the tables on the leaders by asking them to

say something nice about their opponents. After some laughter about filibustering, they praised each others' commitments to public service, but the premier got a light-hearted swipe in.

"One of the things I think they do a tremendous job at is being critics," MacDonald said. "And I'd like to make sure they have that opportunity for a very long time."

# Chamber questions parties on economic issues

Tax credits and spending cuts are some of the major political parties' top priorities for dealing with the economy, according to a release yesterday from the Halifax Chamber of Commerce.

The Liberals, NDP and Progressive Conservatives each responded to a questionnaire sent out to them by the chamber, explaining their stance on six local economic issues.

When asked to rank four policy options for dealing with falling provincial revenues, both the Tories and NDP chose cuts to "departmental spending" as their primary strategy. The NDP said these cuts would include shrinking the provincial cabinet from 18 ministers to 12.

The Liberals opted for a fifth option, saying they would "create economic

growth and grow the tax base."

On the topic of economic stimulus, both the Liberals and NDP promised major tax cuts aimed at small business and the home construction industry, respectively. The Liberals also said they would introduce micro-credit loans for small businesses looking to grow.

The Tories pledged to put \$1.9 billion into infrastruc-

ture and "green energy projects" across the province.

The other issues in the questionnaire were each party's stance on provincial debt levels, their strategies for controlling health care costs, their proposed changes to the tax system, and whether each party would support an "amalgamated transportation authority" for Halifax.

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# Firefighters meet to address concerns, map out solutions

Tom Bremner, president of the Fire Service Association of Nova Scotia, looks to the future and sees Nova Scotia firefighters trained to a minimum standard, funding for infrastructure and a provincial office to advocate on its behalf.

Bremner said changes are critically needed. He hopes the first step was taken Sunday in Bible Hill in what he called a "historic" meeting

with 177 members, representing 98 fire departments from across the province. The meeting is the first time that many firefighters had a chance to get together to voice their concerns and plot a map for transforming the province's fire services.

The fire service, said Bible Hill Chief Dwane Mellish, is the third side of the emergency service triangle with police and paramedics.

**"... we can't even afford to send our people for training ..."**

Tom Bremner

Bremner said while some fire services are holding their own, others are falling behind, unable to keep up with the many demands on a dwindling volunteer base. Others, are spending a large

portion of their time fundraising for capital investments, gear or training with a tax base of less than \$13,000.

"For God's sake when we can't even afford to send our people for training because there's not enough money, what are we doing?" Bremner asked. "We don't send plumbers or electricians or welders (to work) without training."

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# Union donations to NDP being examined

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### Possible fines

- Elections Nova Scotia spokesman Dana Doiron said the NDP did the right thing in returning the money. But he said the trades council could potentially face fines of up to \$140,000. Elections Nova Scotia can level fines of up to \$50,000 plus twice the money improperly donated.

Nova Scotia's chief electoral officer will look into union donations made to the NDP to examine whether they violated election finance laws.

During a day in the first week of the campaign the NDP said it was couriered nine separate cheques of \$5,000 — the maximum allowed donation — from nine different unions, all members of the Mainland Nova Scotia Building Trades Council.

"At the time it seemed like a very good thing," NDP provincial secretary Ed Wark said.

"The contributions came in on nine separate cheques made out for \$5,000 each. They were signed by the signatories for those unions, so there were no questions raised at that point."

But the NDP later learned the council had offered to reimburse the unions for the donations. The NDP voluntarily returned the money Monday after a freelance journalist told them of the conflict over the weekend.

With the NDP ahead in

the polls and a week until the election, both the Liberals and Progressive Conservative campaigns spent much of yesterday questioning union ties to the NDP.

The Tories filed a letter with Elections Nova Scotia requesting chief electoral officer Christine McCulloch contact the RCMP to investigate this case. They said the NDP did not have proper safeguards in place and speculated there may be other illegitimate donations.

"It stretches credulity to think that an official agent getting cheques from an umbrella group like this all in the same day is simply coincidence," said Tory party spokesman Jordi Morgan.

# Man rescued from burning home

**ESKASONI** An man was taken to hospital to be treated for smoke inhalation following an incident in Eskasoni early yesterday morning.

Eskasoni RCMP were called to a residence on Cremona Lane after a woman advised police that it was on fire and its occupant was inside and refusing to leave.

When officers arrived, police say the home was engulfed in flames, with thick smoke coming out of the windows. Two attending RCMP officers along with a relative of the occupant could hear and see the man inside. On their second attempt they were able to reach through the window and pull the man to safety. **CAPE BRETON POST**

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A store in Maitland will be saved after a fire broke out in a rental apartment above the business Monday night. The blaze occurred at 8787 Highway 215, a two-bedroom apartment above the Frieze & Roy General Store, at about 6 p.m. The fire was contained in the master bedroom. **TRURO DAILY NEWS**

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## N.S. assured of RCMP presence during Games

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**SECURITY** The head of integrated security for the 2010 Winter Olympics said yesterday Nova Scotia wouldn't see its RCMP presence negatively affected next year when the Games take place in Vancouver.

Bud Mercer said security will require a significant amount of RCMP officers from across the country, to go along with Vancouver police, the Canadian Armed Forces and private security members — mainly from Transport Canada.

Some RCMP officers from Nova Scotia will be transferred temporarily to help with security, but Mercer doesn't expect it to affect police presence in provincial communities.

"There will be little to no impact," said Mercer, who was in Halifax yesterday to speak with local RCMP detachments. "Annual leave is completely frozen during the period of the

Olympics for at least the whole month of February."

Mercer is a former commander of a municipal police detachment and currently an assistant commissioner for the RCMP. He said shortages in staff are not a rare occurrence. Mercer said by freezing annual leave during the Olympics, shortages in staff would be no higher than normal.

The detachments throughout Canada that send officers to Vancouver may receive reimbursement of salaries paid to officers that are

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Bud Mercer, Games security chief

et is \$491 million. The total budget for security for the Games is estimated at \$900 million.

In total, he said there would be about 16,000 security officials.

Mercer said his biggest concern for the event is the size and magnitude of securing the Olympics.

"It's like playing three dimensional chess," he said. "There are so many pieces moving around."

## Police searching for trio after teen robbed of his shoes

**CRIME** Halifax Regional Police say three teenagers assaulted an 18-year-old male and then stole his shoes late Monday afternoon.

Police say the assault happened at about 4 p.m. while the victim was walking within the 400 block area of Herring Cove Road. Police say

three suspects confronted the victim, and then punched him before taking the shoes he was wearing.

The male was not seriously injured.

No arrests have been made, but police are looking for a 15-year-old and two 16-year-old suspects.

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## News in brief

**TASERS** Nova Scotia RCMP is removing 66 M-26 Tasers from their arsenal as part of a national initiative after tests showed the model was below the manufacturer's wattage requirement. That leaves provincial RCMP with 31 stun guns left according to a provincial

RCMP news release. The remaining 31 Tasers are the newer X-26 model. The RCMP announced Monday it is pulling about 1,600 M-26 Tasers for tests across Canada because they are said to deliver less of an electrical current than expected. **METRO HALIFAX**

# City to analyze plant

Forensics team to investigate sewage facility's failure: Mayor

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**Halifax Regional Water Commission has hired a forensics team to find out where the city's new sewage treatment system went wrong, an analysis that could cost more than \$400,000, Mayor Peter Kelly said yesterday.**

But he said HRM hopes taxpayers won't be doing out any dough, as the city is claiming the costs under its insurance plan for the \$54-million wastewater facility, which opened in February 2008 and shut down last January because of a flood.

The plant suffered another recent setback, as it was discovered last week the water commission has started to remove screens from sewage outfalls. And that means condoms, tampons and other untreated "floatables" are flowing back into Halifax Harbour.

"We are going to claim for any element that we can," the mayor said at city hall, following a closed door meeting about the sewage situation.

But Kelly couldn't tell reporters what was discussed during the in-camera council



HRM Mayor Peter Kelly talks with deputy chief administrative officer Wayne Anstey during a council meeting yesterday.

cil session, which ate up a large chunk of the afternoon. "The reason why it was (in-camera) was because of legal elements of discussion."

He said the forensics company should determine what caused the breakdown within two weeks. Not even city officials know how the harbour mishap happened, he said.

In the meantime, he said

the municipality is doing its "due diligence" by looking at any alternative ways to stop solid waste from entering Halifax waters, and plans to meet with its insurance company within a week.

Also yesterday, city councillors voted to defer debate over HRMByDesign for two weeks. Coun. Jerry Blumenthal, who represents Halifax North End, made

the motion but not every councillor was in favour of rescheduling discussion about the proposed urban blueprint.

"I opposed that," Coun. Debbie Hum of Rockingham-Wentworth told reporters outside council chambers. "There have been members of public here all afternoon, waiting, and I thought it was very unfair."

## What's the best moment of your life?

Sunny Side

HILARY BEAUMONT  
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**LETTERS** Emily Turner is handing out pre-stamped, empty envelopes this week in Paris as part of her brainwave — the Best Moment of Your Life Project.

The 21-year-old Dalhousie Theatre student wants people to mail her their anonymous creative submissions, to be compiled in a book, that answers the question — what was the best moment of your life?

"I'm a big fan of superlatives," the Alberta-native said, enthusiastically describing the conversation that led to her idea during a road trip to New York. "So I'm like, 'this is the best thing that ever happened to me! This is the greatest! And at one point I said, 'no, seriously this is the best moment of my life!'"

After the trip she



Dalhousie University student Emily Turner sits in her car, the place where she came up with The Best Moments of Your Life Project, which she hopes to turn into a book.

dwelled on the idea, trying to narrow her memories down to just one moment. Some that topped the list include the last time her high school theatre group stood in a circle to sing a song from the musical Les

Miserables.

"Everyone was crying and it was so powerful," she said.

Another was Hill Day.

"My friend and I just decided we were going to do our entire day of camp

## Letters

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themed on hills."

Though other camp leaders scoffed, Turner pulled off the theme.

"We got all 20 kids at camp cheering like mad to go to hills to roll down hills," she said. "We put sponges on their elbows and we were like sling-shooting eggs down hills. I have this picture of all the kids just jumping up with these bubble-wrap helmets on."

But she still hasn't narrowed her moments down to one.

Turner hopes to return home at the end of July to a gigantic pile of mail. Proceeds from the book will fund her future volunteer ambitions in Africa, where she wants to fight the spread of AIDS.



**Regulator may come soon: Expert**

The global financial crisis has made it more likely that Canada will soon create a national securities regulator, the former head of a panel on the issue said yesterday.

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# Canada

## Bracing for Bill 44

Alberta school boards 'on edge' over law: Group

**The passage of a heavily debated human rights law meant to allow Alberta parents to limit what their children are taught about sex, religion and sexual orientation has left teachers with more questions than answers, says the head of a group representing the province's school boards.**

Alberta School Boards Association president Heather Welwood said teachers across the province are bracing for the backlash over Bill 44, which was passed yesterday.

"It's going to take awhile before we understand the implications and what's required," she said. "It won't be business as usual. It's going to take dollars to put those things in place."

Culture Minister Lindsay Blackett said he will be in close contact with teachers'

### "We in Alberta believe in family values."

Lindsay Blackett,  
Alberta culture minister

school boards to "quell any misconceptions that may have been created" during the debates. Amendments to the bill exempt off-the-cuff controversial conversations between students and teachers, though Welwood predicts impromptu chats could become subject for human rights complaints.

Teachers won't stray from status quo with lessons until details about Bill 44 are drafted, she said, which could take up to three years.

"It has the school board on edge until we know what we're dealing with," Welwood said.

Though in-class discus-

sions of same-sex relationships and religion are now optional by law, Welwood wants parents to work with their child's school before filing a human rights complaint if they feel ill-informed.

"We want parents to know their first stop is still the school," she said.

Blackett suggested the Alberta Human Rights Commission may work with the school boards to implement a plan they "will feel comfortable with to ensure there will be no cases brought up" to the commission.

"We in Alberta believe in family values, and the family is at the core of what makes a great community," said Blackett, who added he expects to see no complaints about teachers filed to the commission.

METRO CANADA

### Calgary Jazzing it up



Luis Tovar plays the drums with his band Cumako on Stephen Avenue to promote the 30th annual Calgary Jazz Festival. Jazz on the Ave will run from June 22 to 28.

### News in brief

**SANCTUARY** A man who once worked for the KGB in Communist Russia has turned to a religious institution to avoid being deported from Canada. Mikhail Lennikov moved into the First Lutheran Church in Vancouver yesterday where he was offered sanctuary.

**DEPORTATION** Any hopes Fernando Navarro had of being allowed to stay in Canada on humanitarian grounds were dashed yesterday when immigration services ordered him deported on June 19 — the day before World Refugee Day. The Honduran-born Surrey, B.C., roofer and father of 10, whose wife is pregnant, was denied refugee status because he once worked as a drug mule for a Honduran drug lord.

METRO CANADA

**SEX EDUCATION** Teens are being sexually active but are not getting the information or services they need to be properly educated about sex, according to a report on sexual health released yesterday. In one of the largest studies of its kind, 1,216 Toronto teens aged 13 to 18 of different racial backgrounds and sexual orientation were interviewed about their sexual experiences by other teens between December 2006 and August 2007.

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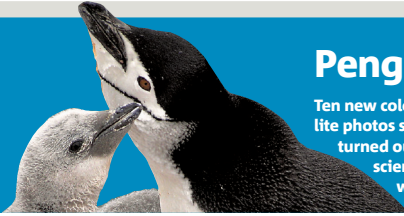
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Too much television may hamper a baby's ability to learn language and speak, according to a new study. Researchers recorded sounds spoken by 329 children. The more hours of TV recorded in a session, the fewer times a child spoke, the fewer words he or she heard from adults, and the fewer conversational turns the child took. **REUTERS**

# World



## Penguin poop leads to discovery

Ten new colonies of emperor penguins have been found in Antarctica after satellite photos showing brownish stains on the ice, which initially baffled scientists, turned out to be the excrement of thousands of birds. The findings will help scientists understand penguin populations and the vulnerability to global warming of the breeding colonies that are on sea ice. **REUTERS**

## Plane debris found

All 228 passengers aboard thought to be dead

**Brazilian military planes have found the wreckage of an Air France jet that crashed in the Atlantic Ocean with 228 people on board earlier this week, the defence minister said yesterday.**

Nelson Jobim said there was "no doubt" that the five-kilometre strip of wreckage was from the Airbus A330 that went missing early on Monday after flying into stormy weather.

"It confirms that the plane fell in this area," Jobim said in Rio de Janeiro, from where the plane took off on Sunday night for its planned route to Paris.

The debris spotted by

### Passengers lost

- Among the 216 passengers were executives from major companies that have ramped up investments in Brazil in recent years and European tourists as well as seven children and one baby.

Brazilian air force pilots earlier yesterday included plane seats, an orange buoy, metallic objects and fuel stains in the water about 1,200 kilometres northeast of the Brazilian coastal city of Recife.

Jobim said no bodies had yet been sighted by military pilots who scoured the

area and that finding the "black box" flight data and voice recorders that hold clues to why the plane crashed would be a "extremely difficult."

The chances of finding survivors among the 12 crew and 216 passengers of 32 different nationalities appeared close to zero, meaning it would be the worst disaster in Air France's 75-year history.

The recorders could be on the ocean floor at a depth of 2,000 to 3,000 metres. Senior French minister Jean-Louis Borloo said it was "a race against the clock" to find them, as they only emit signals for up to 30 days. **REUTERS**

## Kabul Mr. Afghanistan



Afghan men strike a pose during the Mr. Afghanistan national bodybuilding competition at a cinema hall in Kabul yesterday. Hundreds entered the annual competition, organized by Afghanistan's national Olympic organization.



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## Violence rising amid recession: Study

**RANKINGS** The economic downturn has made the world more violent and unstable in the last year, according to a study that ranked New Zealand as the most peaceful country and Iraq the least.

High food and fuel prices in early 2008 and the deepening recession later in the year eroded peace, accord-

ing to the Global Peace Index, compiled by a unit of The Economist magazine group.

Economic weakening has increased political instability, demonstrations and crime in some countries, according to the study, which is online at [visionofhumanity.org/gpi/home.php](http://visionofhumanity.org/gpi/home.php).

Iceland, the most peaceful nation out of the 144 ranked last year, fell to fourth place after violent protests over its economic meltdown and was replaced by New Zealand. The top 10 included all the main Scandinavian nations as well as Austria in fifth place, Japan seventh and Canada eighth. **REUTERS**

## Obama to tackle tough issues in Middle East talk

**VISIT** U.S. President Barack Obama will try to repair U.S. ties to the Islamic world this week in a speech from the Middle East that aides say will reach out to Muslims but deal with tough issues like violent extremism.

Obama, who departed

yesterday, will try to fix some of the damage to America's image caused by the Iraq war, U.S. treatment of military detainees and the lack of progress in Mideast peace talks.

"We don't expect that everything will change after one speech. It will take

a sustained effort," said White House press secretary Robert Gibbs.

Al-Qaida's second-in-command, Ayman al-Zawahiri, urged Egyptians to reject Obama's visit, seen as a charm offensive towards Muslims, and called him a "criminal." **REUTERS**

## Flu moves closer to Phase 6: WHO

**DISEASE** The spread of influenza A (H1N1), also known as swine flu, in Australia, Britain, Chile, Japan and Spain has moved the world closer to the top pandemic alert, the World Health Organization said yesterday.

Keiji Fukuda, acting WHO assistant director-general, said some countries seem to be moving from travel-related cases to community-based types of spread.

"Some of these countries are the countries that you have been following for quite a while, but they include countries such as the U.K. and Spain in Europe, Japan in Asia, Chile in South America and also Australia."

The new influenza strain has been found in 64 countries, and is most prevalent in North America. Nearly 19,000 infections are confirmed including 117 people who have died. **REUTERS**

### News in brief

**LONDON** British interior minister Jacqui Smith plans to resign, British media said yesterday, the highest profile casualty of an expenses scandal that has swept through parliament. Smith's reputation suffered in March when a leaked copy of her expenses claims showed she had charged taxpayers for her husband's rental of two pornographic movies. **REUTERS**

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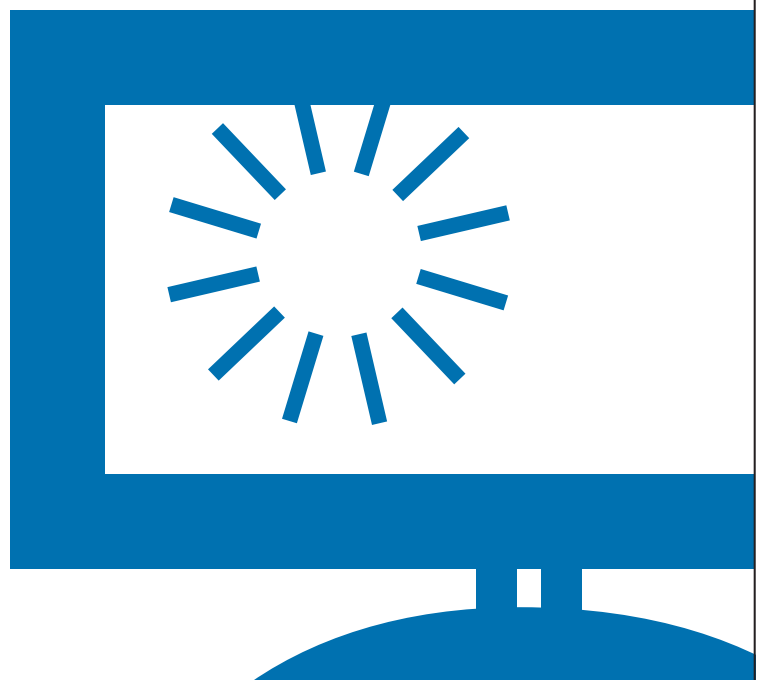
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## Comment

# Trying to seek common ground

## TheWestView

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**A**s I'm about to launch into the abortion "debate" ("melee" is more like it) at this late date in my life and career, I can only conclude I've learned nothing about keeping my mouth shut when it's prudent to do so.

Still, I'm inspired by Barack Obama ... once again. The U.S. president, who has become something of a poster boy for common sense, showed his chops again recently, accepting an invitation to address the graduating class at Notre Dame — a Catholic university and a hotbed of anti-abortion sentiment.

What he said made a lot of sense, whatever side you're on. "Maybe we won't agree on abortion," he said. "But we can still agree that this heart-wrenching decision for any woman is not made casually. It has both a

moral and a spiritual dimension."

He went on: "When we open our hearts and our minds to those who may not think or believe what we do — that's when we discover at least the possibility of common ground."

Wise words. Compassionate words. Civilized words. But many of his audience had crosses or little infants' feet painted on their moratoriums. Three dozen protesters were carted away for trying to disrupt the U.S. president's speech. They weren't interested in common ground.

And then, this past Sunday, two weeks after Obama's address, some guy in Kansas shot and killed a doctor who performed abortions while he was serving as an usher at his church.

Meanwhile, up here, the archbishop of Montreal, Cardinal Jean-Claude Turcotte, resigned from the Order of Canada because Henry Morgentaler, our most famous/notorious doctor who performed abortions, was also honoured. Clearly, resigning in a huff is not as extreme as murder, but neither is an invitation to seek

common ground.

What's interesting about so many of these guys is that they are guys. Perhaps feeling left out because they can't get pregnant, they indulge in righteous rage. Convinced that every sperm is sacred, that even the most rudimentary stages in the development of the human fetus must be protected, they're not about to pause and allow reason to inform the discussion even if it leads to the final absurdity: Take life to save life.

Frankly, I don't like abortion. But I don't like the alternative, which is unwanted

pregnancy, or backstreet butchery. And it seems obvious: Stem cell research is moral light years away from late-term abortion. The issue is complex and vexing, and I applaud Obama's attempt to find common ground. But in abortion, we have an issue that exposes civilization as a thin crust spread lightly over a seething mass of molten mayhem.

Wise words, I fear, are not enough.

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## Word on the street: Should Canada have more legislated vacation days?

Gwen Rowe

age 40,  
Conquerall Mills

A: No, I think we're fine. A lot of work places have two or three weeks vacation. It's pretty good as it is.

Stephen Bishop

age 34, Halifax

A: No, I just think there's enough vacation time as it is. I think cooks should get more because we don't get any of the stat holidays.

Nikki Chisholm

age 21,  
Dartmouth

A: Yes, I think once a month would be good. I don't think there is enough vacation days.

Antonio Olivito

age 26, Toronto

A: Yes. It's important to get away from the craziness of life every once in awhile ... to have more quality time with friends and family.

Ayane Ogawa

age 22,  
Vancouver

A: Yes ... Holidays are great because if you end up working you make more money, and if you don't then you can enjoy the day.

Richard Kevis

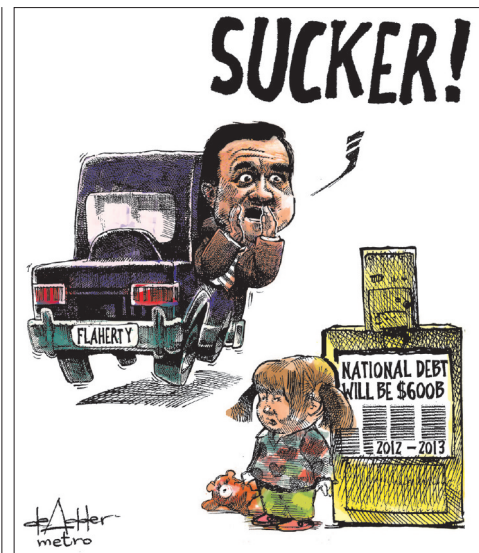
age 19, Calgary

A: Probably not. Days off aren't really practical. They're not really used for anything. They're not really necessary to the system.



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## San Francisco unites with Twitter for civic service centre

San Francisco Mayor Gavin Newsom has announced a civic collaboration between Twitter and the city's 311 customer service centre, where citizens can now alert officials to issues by using the social networking service. **REUTERS**

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# Business

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## Chrysler sales crash by half

Overall Canadian vehicle purchases down by 16.5% in May

**The taint of bankruptcy court protection and idle plants slashed Chrysler Canada's business by half last month.**

Sales for the reeling auto giant, which is offering huge incentives under a "Buy With Confidence" program, crashed by more than 13,600 to 13,657 vehicles in May from the same month last year.

Meanwhile, the sputtering industry limited its losses to 16 per cent after monthly declines of more than 25 per cent earlier in the year.

Chrysler, whose volumes also plunged a stunning 47 per cent in the U.S. last month, said its retail sales actually improved here despite the move to court protection south of the border.

Chrysler topped the market only a few months ago but slid to fifth place in May.

### GM to sell Hummer

GM said yesterday it reached a tentative deal to sell its Hummer brand to Sichuan Tengzhong Heavy Industrial, a privately held Chinese company.

Overall sales of new cars and trucks in Canada

fell 16.5 per cent, or almost 30,500, to 154,018 vehicles during May.

It was the seventh consecutive month that auto sales have declined here.

Sales in the first five months of the

year have also dropped 19.5 per cent, or 140,960, to 582,518 vehicles.

Teetering GM said its sales in Canada fell 12.4 per cent to 31,784 vehicles in May.

Ford Motor Co. of Canada reported that sales dropped 7.3 per cent to 21,900 in May, but the automaker increased its market share for the seventh consecutive month.

Most other major automakers posted negative results, including Toyota and Honda.

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## Tories reviewing sale of some assets: Flaherty

**OTTAWA** The federal government is reviewing only some of its holdings this year for possible inclusion in an asset sale as it grapples with a record budget deficit, Finance Minister Jim Flaherty said yesterday.

Flaherty was reacting to a report in the Globe and Mail newspaper yesterday that said all of the federal government's assets were being considered in the review.

The government is depending on billions of dollars from asset sales as part of its plan to re-balance the books by 2013-2014.

The Globe said that the CBC, Via Rail and the Royal Canadian Mint were among the assets to be reviewed, but Flaherty said the review this year does not cover the CBC.

The Conservative government first announced

plans to review its holdings in November last year. In January, the government said the process this year would focus on assets held by the ministries of

finance, indian and northern affairs, natural resources, and transport.

"We want to make sure our Crown assets continue to perform to the benefit of the people of Canada ... but no fire sales and we're certainly not going to sell anything or offer anything for sale where the market would be depressed in terms of price," Flaherty told reporters.

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## New Xbox technology unveiled

**GAMING** Microsoft Corp. offered a glimpse into a future where the Xbox 360 console is the centrepiece of any living room, and games, social interaction and communications are controlled with the wave of a hand.

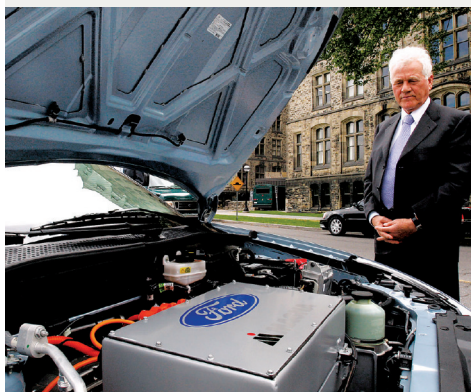
At a star-studded event at the annual E3 video game conference that drew appearances by Paul McCartney and Steven Spielberg, the company unveiled Project Natal, which uses a camera to

track a user's movements via full skeletal mapping. It also recognizes voices and vocal commands.

The technology obviates the need for a controller or remote device to enable a player, for instance, to drive a car in a game, interact with a character on screen or show pictures and information to other Xbox users over the Internet.

No details were given on release dates for Natal's games and services. **REUTERS**

## Magna Electric cars deal sought



Magna International Inc. chairman Frank Stronach looks at a Ford battery electric vehicle (BEV), which is being developed in partnership with Magna, during a news conference in Ottawa yesterday. Stronach said he will build electric cars in Canada if Ottawa agrees to lend him up to \$150 million.

## Banks raise rates on mortgages by 0.2%

**FINANCE** Canada's biggest banks are hiking key mortgage rates at a time when the bond market is worried about risk and inflation.

Royal Bank of Canada, Bank of Montreal, Toronto-Dominion Bank, Bank of Nova Scotia and Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce increased posted rates on five-year, fixed-rate mortgages by 0.2 per cent to 5.45 per cent. The changes at RBC and BMO took effect yesterday, while new rates at TD, Scotiabank and CIBC are available today.

RBC, BMO and Scotiabank, however, also have "special offers" on five-year closed mortgages at 4.15 per cent. Those rates, subject to change without notice, also reflect a 0.2 per cent increase.

Borrowing costs on the bond market largely influence consumer rates. Yields on longer-term bonds have soared in recent weeks, driving up the cost of borrowing for lenders. Experts say yields are rising because the bond market is focusing on risk and the future prospects for inflation.

Central banks usually try to control inflation by rais-

ing interest rates. The Bank of Canada's overnight rate is sitting at 0.25 per cent, and it has signalled plans to hold it there well into 2010, depending on inflation.

The bond market, though, sees a risk that interest rates may change down the road, said TD economist Grant Bishop.

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## The DAILY BUSINESS BUZZ

**Premier pledges more arts, culture spending:**

Premier Rodney MacDonald says if re-elected, his government will double arts and culture spending to include a new program to improve children's access to arts programs.

**Tough times for clam harvesters: Spokesman:**

Ken Weir, spokesman for the Annapolis-Digby Clam Harvesters Association, says it's impossible to earn a reasonable wage from clamming these days. "We're being starved out of our own industry," he says.

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Spike TV announced yesterday that Internet phenomenon and former street brawler Kimbo Slice will take part in Season 10 of The Ultimate Fighter, competing to win a contract with the UFC. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

# Sports

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## SCOREBOARD

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## Fans rewarding Bay

Early American League all-star fan vote results were released yesterday and Jason Bay of Trail, B.C., left, is leading outfielders with 729,950 votes. The Boston Red Sox star is batting .288 with 15 home runs and 49 RBI so far this year. Aaron Hill is the leading Toronto Blue Jay with 388,457 votes, good for fourth among second basemen. The all-star game is July 14 in St. Louis. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**



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Saturday, June 6, 2009

### TIMES

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Pittsburgh's Ruslan Fedotenko celebrates Maxime Talbot's first-period goal last night in Game 3 of the Stanley Cup final. Pittsburgh won the game 4-2.

## Pens take Game 3

Stanley Cup  
2009 Final

(Detroit leads series 2-1)

Detroit 2 Pittsburgh 4

**Sergei Gonchar's power-play goal midway through the third period broke a 2-2 tie and Maxime Talbot's empty-net tally in the final minute of regulation cemented Pittsburgh's 4-2 victory over the Detroit Red Wings in Game 3 of the Stanley Cup finals at Mellon Arena.**

Talbot also scored in the opening period along with Kris Letang for Pittsburgh, which now trails



the best-of-seven series 2-1.

Marc-Andre Fleury was strong with 27 saves in the victory, including 14 stops in the second period. The Penguins were on cruise control in the middle stanza, but came alive in the final 20 minutes to get back in the series.

Henrik Zetterberg and

Johan Franzen scored for the Red Wings, who are attempting to successfully defend their Stanley Cup title from a year ago. Detroit goaltender Chris Osgood allowed three goals on 20 shots.

The two teams will meet again in Pittsburgh on Thursday for Game 4.

Detroit forward Pavel Datsyuk was absent from the lineup for the sixth straight game with a swollen foot after he blocked a shot in Game 2 of the West finals against the Blackhawks.

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## Balsillie clears another hurdle

**COYOTES** The co-chief executive officer of BlackBerry maker Research In Motion Ltd. received U.S. antitrust approval to buy the National Hockey League's Phoenix Coyotes, U.S. officials said yesterday.

Antitrust authorities completed their review of James Balsillie's deal for the Coyotes without taking

any action to block it, the U.S. Federal Trade Commission said in a notice.

Balsillie offered to buy the money-losing hockey team in May when it filed for bankruptcy protection, but his offer is contingent on relocating the Coyotes to Ontario. NHL officials have said the league is committed to keeping the

team in Phoenix and have fought with Coyotes' owner Jerry Moyes over who controls the hockey team.

Balsillie has threatened to drop his offer if the team's sale and relocation cannot be agreed upon by June 29.

The Coyotes have not made a profit since moving to Arizona in 1996.

**REUTERS**

## Sports in brief

**JAYS WIN** Roy Halladay struck out a career-high 14 batters in picking up his major league-leading ninth win this season, guiding the Blue Jays to a 6-4 victory over the Angels in the opener of a three-game series. Halladay (9-1) threw 133 pitches in his second complete game this season. He had only one real hiccup, when he allowed four runs in the seventh inning.

**OLYMPICS** The Canadian border agency says it will charge an American passenger rail service more than half a million dollars in fees to add another train between Seattle and Vancouver — a decision that has derailed plans to add a second daily run to serve the 2010 Winter Olympics and beyond. **PANTHERS** Sports Properties Acquisition Corp. has reportedly

agreed to buy the Florida Panthers, the team's home arena, an arena management company and some land surrounding the arena for \$240 million U.S.

**BASEBALL** The Washington Nationals fired pitching coach Randy St. Claire yesterday and promoted Steve McCatty from Triple-A Syracuse to fill the position.

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**Axemen add brother of Huskies star**

The Acadia Axemen have added Alex McLaughlin to their basketball roster for the fall. McLaughlin, the younger brother of Saint Mary's Huskies all-star Mark, averaged 14.5 points and 6.0 rebounds for the Dartmouth Spartans last season. **METRO HALIFAX**

# Herd seeking eager prospects

'It's ridiculous when you've got to beg a 16-year-old kid to come here,' says GM

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**The QMJHL draft can be a game, but Halifax Mooseheads general manager Cam Russell doesn't intend to play.**

Russell enters his first draft as GM at Moncton Coliseum on Saturday seeking players who are eager to come to Halifax to further their hockey careers. He talks as though he will ignore any prospect playing the NCAA card, looking for exorbitant education packages and special side deals.

"I'm not going to beg anybody to come and play for one of the best franchises in North America," Russell said. "It's ridiculous when you've got to beg a 16-year-old kid to come here. They shouldn't be the ones holding all the cards."

Every year, the draft is littered with blue-chip prospects who say they're

headed the NCAA route, only to have last-minute changes of heart after falling to a team they "just couldn't say no to." But there are no guarantees. Halifax got burned when they picked U.S. prospect Mike Cichy 44th overall in 2006 and have taken numerous late-round U.S. no-shows.

Russell doesn't see a downside to red-flagging prospects.

"There are lots of players out there," said Russell, head coach since 2006 and GM since January. "You can't get caught up with one guy who is asking for ridiculous things."

He hopes his approach will play a big role in helping him put his own unique stamp on the hockey club.

"We want to have players who want to be here, who are proud to wear the Mooseheads jersey, who are excited to come play at the rink every night," said Rus-

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sell.

"Hard work, character and honesty are the three things we're looking for."

Russell said that current Mooseheads Travis Randell, Gabriel Desjardins and Gabriel O'Connor, among others, are examples of the type of player he wants to acquire.

"You love (those types of guys)," he said. "Kids who are happy to be here and very respectful young men."

He added he has been careful to ensure that everybody on his scouting staff is on the same page.

"We're going to work as a team," he said.

"We're all after the same goal, and that's to be known as a hard-working, exciting, honest hockey team to watch."



Moosehead general manager Cam Russell cites Gabriel O'Connor as the type of player he wants to acquire.

## Former Herd captain Vrana headed home?

**HOCKEY** Former Halifax Mooseheads captain Petr Vrana is reportedly heading to the Czech Republic.

Reports from Vrana's home country indicate the 24-year-old New Jersey Devils prospect has signed a two-year contract with Vitkovice of the Czech ExtraLiga.

Vrana, a restricted free agent, made his NHL debut last season but was sent to the minors after 16 games. He broke his leg on Jan. 14 and had season-ending surgery.

"It might not do him harm to go there and play," Devils GM Lou Lamoriello told NorthJersey.com.

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## Moosehead a KHL selection

**HOCKEY** Halifax Mooseheads forward Yuri Cheremetiev was drafted in the second round (33rd overall) by CSKA Moscow in the Kontinental Hockey League's inaugural draft this week.

Cheremetiev, who was born in Moscow and raised in Stoughton, Mass., is entering his 20-year-old campaign after tying for the team lead in scoring with 49 points in 65 games.

CSKA Moscow gets the KHL signing rights to Cheremetiev until at least Aug. 1, 2009. If they offer him a contract, they could keep his KHL rights until April 30, 2017.

Cheremetiev could not be reached for comment.

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## Axemen land ex-Herd captain

**HOCKEY** Another former Halifax Mooseheads captain has chosen the Acadia Axemen for university hockey.

Graham Bona told Metro Halifax yesterday he is headed to Acadia, following in the footsteps of former Mooseheads greats Brandon Benedict and Robbie Sutherland.

The six-foot-three, 217-pound defenceman likes the Wolfville school's kinesiology program and is excited to join an Axemen

team that is hoping to contend for the next few seasons.

"It's not going to be an easy step," said Bona, who had six goals and 16 assists in 68 games last season for Halifax.

"They have a good team and they're really building for the next couple of years. It's definitely going to be tough to crack the lineup to start but I'm up for the challenge."

The Spryfield native spent two and a half seasons with the Mooseheads and won a President Cup as a teammate of Sidney Crosby with Rimouski in 2005.

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## IKON nominee Saulnier sets high goals for herself

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The Canada-U.S. women's hockey rivalry is one of the greatest in all of sport. Jillian Saulnier knows firsthand.

The Halifax native, unveiled yesterday as a nominee for an IKON Sport Award as Nova Scotia's female team athlete of the year, was in the heat of the battle in January at the world under-18 hockey championship in Fussen, Germany.

Saulnier, one of the province's top female hockey players, came away with silver in an overtime heartbreaker.

"I've never felt so exhilarated in my whole life," said Saulnier, who had a breakaway chance near the end of regulation. "There's nothing less than No. 1 that you want to be. The rivalry is there, for sure. I think it will always be there."

The 17-year-old forward is eligible to return to the Canadian under-18 team for the 2010 worlds, meaning she has a realistic shot at redemption against the U.S.

"It was a great experience and we had a blast," she said of the tournament. "The process starts over now and hopefully I get selected again and we can (go for gold)."



Halifax native Jillian Saulnier is a nominee for an IKON Sport Award as Nova Scotia's female team athlete of the year.

### The nominees

This year's IKON Sport Award nominees. Winners will be named Saturday.

• **FEMALE TEAM ATHLETE** — Karen Furneaux (sprint kayak), Jillian Saulnier (hockey), Nkem Ezurike (soccer).

• **MALE TEAM ATHLETE** — Andrew Russell (sprint canoe), John Mattatall (figure skating), Oliver Bone (sail-

ing).

• **FEMALE INDIVIDUAL ATHLETE** — Adrienne Power (athletics), Karen Furneaux (sprint kayak), Sarah Conrad (snowboard).

• **MALE INDIVIDUAL ATHLETE** — David Kikuchi (gymnastics), Paul Tingley (sailing), Ian Kent (table tennis).

• **TEAM** — Alex Irvin and Natalie Miller (sprint kayak),

Mariner Crew Skippers (rope skipping), Halifax City Salty's (women's soccer).

• **COACH** — Laszlo (Csom) Latorovszki (sprint canoe-kayak), Tak Kikuchi (gymnastics), Craig Guthrie (sailing).

• **OFFICIAL** — Matt MacPherson (hockey), Shaina Poirier (soccer), Jason Murphy (triathlon).

### Sports in brief

**CFL** The B.C. Lions signed Acadia Axemen receiver Matt Carter on Monday. The Atlantic University Sport all-star was picked fifth overall by the Lions in last month's CFL draft.

**VOLLEYBALL** The Dalhousie Tigers have added four women's volleyball recruits for the fall. Louis Facca, a transfer from NCAA Division 1 Bowling Green, heads the list. The others are Amy Yorke of Kleinburg, Ont.; Raeesa Lalani of Calgary; Alesha Johnson of Weyburn, Sask.

**HOCKEY** The Los Angeles Kings took a pass on Durham, Picton Co., native Matt Fillier as the June 1 signing deadline for 2007 NHL draft choices passed on Monday. Fillier, a 20-year-old forward with the Montreal Junior, had 38 points and 91 penalty minutes in 62 games last season. **METRO HALIFAX**



Cadillac has announced that it will launch two new models for 2010, the all-new SRX Crossover and the CTS Sport Wagon. METRO NEWS SERVICES

# Metro Drive

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## Face the music

Electronics giant Toshiba is developing in-car facial recognition technology that will allow people to change a car's audio system with a blink of an eye or a turn of the head, wired.com reports.

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# Tweet, blog, take a ride

Nissan, Ford turn to social media to get their message across

MICHAEL GOETZ  
for Metro Canada



Automakers have been using traditional marketing medias — like print, billboards, and television — for decades. But there's a new automotive marketing force in town — social media.

Of course "social media" is the more scholarly term for networking sites like Facebook, Twitter, MySpace, YouTube, Flickr, etc. And, two major auto-related "social media" initiatives of late have been widely successful, and news

travels at warp speed in these social media circles.

One of those initiatives is the Fiesta Movement. As part of Ford's social media blitz, 100 young, American trendsetters will drive and live with a European-spec Fiesta for six months, travelling as agents on special missions, who then relate their experiences through various sites.

"We were already using social media as part of our regular communication channels, and that made it all the easier for us to try something as bold as the Fiesta Movement," notes Scott Monty, who heads up

## Websites

- **Hypercube.ca:** The voting's over but you can check out contestants' websites, auditions and what they are saying about Nissan Cube.
- **Fiestamovement.ca:** Plenty of tweets, blogs, photos and videos about the Ford Fiesta.

social media at Ford (his official title is global and multimedia communications manager). "YouTube videos, Creative Commons-licensed Flickr photos, social media news releases, Facebook



Nissan embraced new social media to launch the new Cube with hypercube.ca — essentially an online stage for 500 creative thinkers to demonstrate their social creativity in "Cube worthiness."

pages, Twitter accounts, documents shared on Scribd, the development of TheFordStory.com, bloggers being included in media events — it all meant that we were committed to this new form of connecting with customers."

The first major auto-related social media attraction for Canadians is hypercube.ca — essentially an online stage for 500 creative thinkers to demonstrate their social creativity in "Cube worthiness." The best 50 will win a new Nissan Cube (winners will be announced on June 23). Winners will then blog regularly for a year, on how their Cubes "interact with their creative lives."

"The uniqueness of the Cube gave us an opportunity to do something different, to veer off from our traditional launch formula," said Catherine Green, the advertising manager at Nissan Canada. "Our ultimate

goal is to create a community of Cube advocates, to provide the content for the Cube community and ultimately become our advertising."

It seems to be working. When the monthlong audition period ended on May 16, the hypercube.ca pages had garnered over 1.4 million hits,

surprising Nissan with not only the high level of engagement and creativity, but also the "tweet ups" and other "community" activities that sprang up, without any prodding or assistance from the automaker.



A web page set up by one of the contestants of the Hypercube challenge.

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## 2010 Chevy Equinox big fuel sipper

**PRICING** Available at Chevrolet dealers this summer, the new 2010 Equinox delivers the best highway fuel consumption of any vehicle in its segment, along with safety, comfort and quietness and offers an impressive range of features, all at a starting price of \$25,995.

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2010 Chevy Equinox

the utility of a crossover, the 2010 next generation Equinox offers the choice

of two fuel-efficient direct injection engines — a 2.4-litre I4 and a 3.0-litre V6, both paired with 6-speed automatic transmissions.

The 2.4-litre Equinox delivers a segment-best 6.1L/100 km in highway driving, placing it well in front of the Toyota RAV4 and Honda CRV.

FROM CARGUIDE



## 2010 Sequoia on sale

Toyota is introducing the 2010 Toyota Sequoia with a new 4.6L engine. The full-size SUV is now on sale across Canada, with a manufacturer's suggested retail price starting at \$48,320. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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# Riding the Wave

**JUSTIN PRITCHARD**  
for Metro Canada



The economy is melting faster than the ice caps, oil wells are drying up, and horsepower is losing relevance to environmental responsibility. As a result, funky little cars like the Pontiac G3 Wave are enjoying lots of attention these days — and proving ideal for students, families and retirees alike.

No need to fear the “little car” jokes from your friends with this one. A nicely accented and energetic shape enables the Wave hatchback to pull off some great small car visuals — appearing confident, cohesive and visually dense. It’s more like a little toy, and less like a rolling appliance.

As with the body, interior designers didn't simply give up on the looks when they were handed a small car. Compared to something like a Kia Rio or Hyundai Accent, the bright and modern cabin atmosphere offered by the Wave is refreshing. So was the motorized sunroof, incidentally.

Some controls around the steering wheel feel like they came from the nineties, but various metallic accents, textures and an overall sense of energy help dress things up.

Thankfully, the Wave's interior is bigger than the body leads on. There's relatively generous arm, leg and shoulder room up front. Head and rear-seat legroom tighten up for taller occupants, though drivers of average size should find the cabin surprisingly spacious. Visibility is fantastic too, albeit for the small side mirrors.

**Complaints?** The cupholder is a clumsy space waster, and the interior lacks covered storage to keep your iPod and wallet out of sight. Additionally, the excessive use of red backlighting may permanently burn the instrument cluster into your retinas at night.

Wave gets moving courtesy of a new-for-2009 1.6 litre four cylinder with variable valve timing. The

2009 Pontiac G3  
Wave SE

**Type:** Compact hatchback

**Price:** \$13,770 (base)/

\$20,500 (as tested)

**Engine:** 1.6 litre four cylinder  
**HP:** 106

## Highlights

- Great visibility
- Affordable
- Decent fuel mileage

engine lets you know when it's working, but sound levels were kept well within limits. Power? 106 ponies. Let's just say you won't be getting into any trouble with it. With the four-speed automatic gearbox on board, my

mileage averaged a respectable 7.5 L / 100km.

Handling and performance are largely appropriate for the intentions and size of the car, and the steering is quick and eager. Wave is amusingly easy to manoeuvre and park, too.



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**Volt underway**

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General Motors started building the first pre-production Chevrolet Volt electric cars last week. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

# Edgier Murano

MARK ATKINSON  
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The redesigned Nissan  
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All that is thrown into one of Nissan's better cabin designs. The gauges are bright and legible, major controls easy to find, and better-than-average materials, with roomy second row and cargo space.

On the road, the Murano's habits are merely OK. It's not sporty, with too much lean and vague steering, but the suspension thumps over the smallest imperfections. There's a lot Nissan could do to improve this for future releases. Performance-wise, acceleration is strong and the CVT works well enough that you never notice it.

Despite the Murano's many features and styling, the problem is its pricing. My LE tester's sticker totalled \$50,583 before freight, PDI and taxes.

A similar Ford Edge Limited AWD runs a touch over \$46,000. Infiniti's EX35 totals about \$48,600 with all the bells and whistles.

That means, other than styling and brand loyalty, there isn't anything the Murano does outstanding enough to make it worthy of recommendation.

When the Nissan Murano first appeared, it was the most futuristic design available, especially compared to its competitors' boxy SUVs. The Murano offered decent levels of equipment, a healthy V6, optional all-wheel drive and a reasonable ride.

Fast forward to 2009, and the Murano's up for its first makeover. Not much has changed in its brief — meaning a car-based, five-seat crossover — but the competition is much fiercer than in '03. Nearly every major manufacturer has at least one such vehicle in its lineup — and sometimes more. The question is whether Nissan's evolution is enough to keep it relevant.

Size-wise, the new Murano is within a hair of its predecessor, although the new design is edgier. Its snout is pointier, and the sculptured front fenders mean it's difficult to know where its corners are. The rear follows the general themes from the Nissan Rogue, and doesn't match the front's drama.

The rising beltline, thick A-pillars and small rear window mean big blind spots, although the large side mirrors help.

All Muranos feature Nissan's 3.5-litre V6 with 265 hp and 248 lb-ft of torque, matched with a continually

### 2009 Nissan Murano

**Type:** Crossover utility vehicle  
**Price:** \$37,648 (base)  
**Engine:** 3.5-litre V6  
**HP:** 248

### Highlights

- Dramatic front styling
- Impressive interior

variable transmission (CVT). All-wheel drive is standard on every model for '09.

Safety features include six airbags, ABS with emergency brake force distribution and brake assist, stability and traction control, and active head restraints for the front row.

Although the Murano S starts at \$37,648, my tester was the loaded \$47,498 LE — meaning heated mirrors, power-adjustable heated leather seats, power tilt/telescoping steering, keyless entry and ignition, a dual-panel moonroof, rearview camera with seven-in display, 11-speaker Bose audio system, Bluetooth and more. The navigation system and 9.3GB "music server" is a pricey

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**Quebec bans certain right-hand drives**

Quebec has become the first province to prohibit the licensing and operation of certain right-hand drive vehicles on public roads, canadiandriver.com reports. The prohibition covers imported vehicles that are over 15 years old. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

# Solar car kings

## Canadian teams shining on world stage

MARK ATKINSON  
for Metro Canada



**When it comes to alternative fuel technologies, solar power usually comes up short of hydrogen fuel cells or battery-powered exotics. Despite our unpredictable weather, Canada's place in the solar-car kingdom is excellent, with a couple of universities putting in outstanding performances not only in North America, but against the world's best.**

The University of Waterloo, located in Canada's technology capital in Waterloo, Ont., has over 20 years of experience in designing, building and competing with solar-powered racecars. Starting with the inaugural General Motors Sunrayce Challenge in 1990, the Midnight Sun team is the only Canadian solar-car team to consistently have qualified and raced in every North American event. And, the team set a Guinness World Record in 2004 by travelling 15,070 km back and forth across the United States for 41 straight days, the longest single journey made by a solar-powered vehicle, and more than double the previous record.

Midnight Sun's co-business manager Cody Bryant said he was quickly attracted to the program.

"I had always had a keen interest in cars and the opportunity to work with such a unique project appealed greatly to me," he said.

The team consists of 30 core members, with more than 200 student volunteers participating in the program's two-year cycle. Waterloo is usually the top Canadian team during the North American Solar Challenge (NASC) and the World Solar Challenge (WSC), held every other year in Australia.

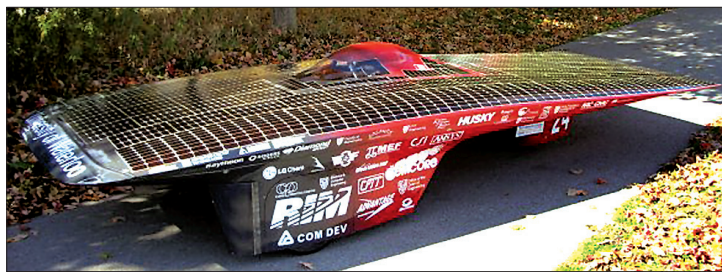
If Waterloo represents the Yankees of the Canadian solar-car competitions, the University of Calgary must be like the Florida Marlins: relatively new on the scene, but already fighting with and beating the heavyweights.

While only having built two cars to Waterloo's nine, Calgary's team has made their efforts count, being the first rookies to complete an NASC in 2005, and finishing the 2005 WSC first in class with their Soleon racecar. After building Schulich 1 in 2007, U of C was the top-ranking Canadian team in the '07 WSC, upsetting Wa-

terloo in the process.

"We currently have approximately 35 students working on the engineering team, and about 10 students working on the busi-

ness team, all from a variety of faculties," says Jeff Wickenheiser, project co-chair and engineering manager for the University of Calgary team.



University of Waterloo's Guinness record-setting solar car Midnight Sun.

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# GT3 ready for racetrack

PETER BLEAKNEY  
for Metro Canada



From day one, Porsche's philosophy has been to build sports cars that are as equally happy on the road as on the racetrack. Drive your Porsche to the local circuit, thrash it like a rented mule and Dr. Ferdinand Porsche smiles at you from the beyond.

Then there are some that are more track ready

than others.

The \$138,100 2010 Porsche 911 GT3, which tilts heavily toward the racing side of the equation, will be arriving in Canada sometime in July. It is a significantly upgraded version of the 2008 997-based GT3.

The GT3's dry-sump naturally aspirated 3.8L flat-six, (which is not related to the direct-injection 3.8L in the "regular" Carrera S), traces its lineage back to the 1996

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Porsche 911 GT1 racer.

It makes 435 hp at 7600 rpm and 317 lb-ft at 6250 rpm. This is up 20 horses and 17 lb-ft over last year's 3.6L version of the same powerplant. It rips to a 8500 rpm redline and powers the rear wheels via a six-speed manual transmission with interchangeable gear ratios.

The 2010 GT3 accelerates

to 100 km/h in 4.1 seconds, 200 km/h in 12.3 seconds and tops out at 312 km/h (193 mph).

But numbers don't tell the full story. Twist the key and the 3.8L race engine barks to life and settles into a busy, guttural idle. Grab the Alcantara wheel, depress the firm clutch, slot the short shifter into first and within the first few hundred metres this car telegraphs exactly what it's all about.



The 2010 GT3 accelerates to 100 km/h in 4.1 seconds, 200 km/h in 12.3 seconds and tops out at 312 km/h (193 mph).

I have never driven a 911 that bites and digs in like this one — and instills such confidence. In the post-card perfect part of Germany where I tested

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**Alberta student gets Toyota's green award**

Adil Adatia, a student from Lethbridge, Alta., has won the 2009 Toyota Earth Day Scholarship. Adatia was chosen first from a pool of hundreds of applicants across Canada. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

# Shapes of cars to come

## Despite Obama's pledge, going green will be tough

EMMA E FORREST  
Metro World News



**U.S. President Barack Obama has declared that cars made in the United States would have to meet a target of an average 35.5 mpg by 2016, with reductions starting in 2012. The move will reduce America's carbon dioxide emissions by 30 per cent as well as reduce dependence on foreign oil.**

It's a radical proposition — especially given that no car manufacturer's fleet comes anywhere near that average. Carmakers will have to work hard and spend money they don't have, to phase out the gas-guzzlers in their portfolios and introduce energy-sippers.

No wonder American automakers and Bush's oil-barons had been resisting cuts for years. It's going to be especially hard for those whose most successful cars are SUV and high-performance models.

The other issue is that it takes time for the technology to get on the road. It takes the average car produced by a major carmaker at least four years to go from initial design to dealership forecourt, via marketing, engineering, safety testing, and factory floor.

Developing new technology is phenomenally expensive, then creating the plants that can produce cars with the new technology is more expensive still. This is why manufacturers often share platforms like the Ford Ka and the Fiat 500, for example.

Most carmakers have been going eco for the last few years, but progress is slow. So what's in the pipeline? The current economic climate as well as our eco expectations will shape the next few years — most people will be looking to buy smaller, cheaper-to-fuel cars. Expect more electric cars in three

year's time; by 2016 they might be as affordable as petrol

Barack Obama

models. They might have smaller, more ecological batteries, and the way they're made and the energy that fuels them might be more sustainable too.

Don't expect anything too radical to come from the major players. After all, the financial crisis caused Fiat CEO Sergio Marchionne to gloomily pre-

dict that in two years time only six global carmakers will exist. The innovation might well come from faster-moving companies on the outside.



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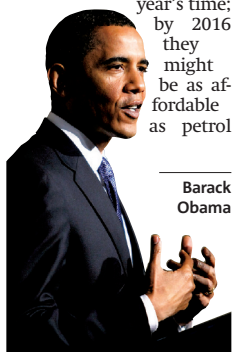
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According to the Mexico Tourism Board, Air Canada Vacations was the first Canadian tour operator to announce it would resume its operations to Cancun. As of June 6, the company will have non-stop flights to Cancun from Toronto, Montreal and Calgary. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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## Helpful hints

The 2009-2010 edition of *Bon Voyage, But...*, published by Foreign Affairs and International Trade Canada, is now available. The booklet contains advice to help Canadians plan a safe and successful journey abroad, as well as information on consular services and Canadian government offices worldwide. Visit [voyage.gc.ca/publications/bon-voyage-eng.asp](http://voyage.gc.ca/publications/bon-voyage-eng.asp).

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# Croatia's warm-weather charms

Sunny coastlines, serene islands are among draws

**TOM MARCHANT**  
for Metro World News



**At this time of year I frequently get asked where I'm going to spend my summer holidays. Not an easy answer, as every day, word of new destinations and existing gems comes across my desk.**

That sees me either shifting my plans or trying to squeeze more and more places into one trip, with the result being a manic week of travelling, rather than the relaxing break I had hoped for. However, this year is different. Why? Because the place that I'm heading to is currently streets ahead of anywhere else in Europe to take a break in and nothing that I have seen or read about this year has come close to making me

## Travel pro

- Tom Marchant is the founder of award-winning travel company Black Tomato, [blacktomato.co.uk](http://blacktomato.co.uk).

change my opinion. Where I am talking about? Croatia.

It's the home of sun-drenched coastlines with some of the prettiest bays and bluest waters you will ever see, serene islands, beautiful cities and a rich culture that delights you upon your arrival and stays with you for years after you have left.

Whilst many people know about the charms of Dubrovnik (and rightly so) Croatia still contains many



A view of Korcula, an island between Dubrovnik and Hvar, is highly recommended by our correspondent.

hidden gems that the travelling world is only just waking up to. I could write an essay

on the wonders of the place here, but space doesn't allow it, so I have had to filter through my long list of highlights and share with you my top three spots.

How to learn about the rest? Simple. Just go.

**Hvar**  
**Hip partying and gourmet seafood:** The island of Hvar is a jewel in the Adriatic Sea, found north (a ferry ride or short helicopter hop) off

Dubrovnik's coast. This unspoiled island is becoming one of Eastern Europe's hippest coastal party spots. The word now is to forget Ibiza, because it's all about Hvar. Hip bars, clubs and restaurants combine with rugged ancient landscapes filled with fragrant sage and lavender, rich aloe and pine trees.

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**Winging onwards**

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Left, the roofs of the old city of Dubrovnik, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Right, an aerial view of Hvar, which is becoming one of Eastern Europe's hippest coastal party spots.

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Spend days on the water, or wine tasting in the vineyards before heading to the waterfront in the medieval heart of Hvar for sunset drinks looking over the Paklinski Islands and gearing up for a long night out.

**Dubrovnik**

**Cobbled streets and thriving cafés:** Yes, you may know it but you need to go back. Soak up the medieval mood radiating from the old squares, magnificent stone columns and wide streets of Dubrovnik.

Stroll the atmospheric pedestrianized paving slabs of this UNESCO World Heritage Site, and admire its forts, red-tile roofed-buildings,

churches and monasteries. The Old Town is brimming with cafes, bars and restaurants hugging the Adriatic seafloor, perfect for a morning coffee or evening sundowner.

A picture-perfect place and if you were after an alternative take on it I'd recommend taking a guided kayak tour around the grand city walls, or mountain biking in nearby Konavle valley to explore the local countryside.

**Korcula**

**Medieval charm and one super lux retreat:** People say Hvar is a secret. Well, maybe, but this one is a true secret. My insider tip: Head for the stunning island of Korcula, right now hottest

thing to rise from this country. It's flung roughly equidistant between Dubrovnik and Hvar.

The beautiful stone castle welcoming you as you sail into the harbour is just a taste of the old world charm that the island oozes. Get lost in the winding alleyways, between terracotta-tiled houses and tiny churches.

It's all a short stroll from the beach of this up-and-coming island that few on the tourist trail know about.

A true escape amongst the warm waters of the Adriatic. Go now and be the envy of your friends with your tales of your time in

this undiscovered spot.

**Good to know**

**Where to stay:** Riva Hotel in Hvar is Croatia's first and only member of Small Luxury Hotels of the World. Expect old world charm, state of the art luxury, exceptional designed and superb sunset views over the Islands.

No better place to lay your head after a hard day of strolling, sunbathing and partying in Dubrovnik than at the Pucic Palace. Hidden within the walls of the medieval town, there is a brand new luxury retreat opening this month: the Lesic

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**Shopping:** The main shopping area in Dubrovnik is The Stradun, but for a great local market go to Gundulic Square which has a wonderful fruit and flower market every morning, except for Sundays.

**there:** Croatia is accessible from most European countries by coach, and by ferry from Italy or Greece. There are major international airports in Dubrovnik, Pula, Split, Zadar and Zagreb.

**Getting around:** Renting a car is straightforward, and there are good and inexpensive bus and train services that links the major cities.

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The Go Frugal blog has started a new online U.S. city guide series, and the first installment is Go Frugal in New York City. The aim is to post a new installment every two weeks. See [freeshipping.org/blog/go-frugal-in-new-york-city](http://freeshipping.org/blog/go-frugal-in-new-york-city). METRO NEWS SERVICES

# Buzios beach life

## How a fishing village became Brazil's answer to St. Tropez

BRUNO GHETTI  
Metro World News



In the '60s, the actress **Brigitte Bardot**, the biggest diva of the French film at the time, came to Brazil and was taken on holiday by friends to Armação dos Búzios, a small fishing village close to Rio de Janeiro.

As soon as she set eyes on the almost untouched, extraordinarily beautiful white sand beaches, she fell in love with the place.

Today, a bronze sculpture on Armação Beach pays homage to the French starlet who first drew the world's attention to this Brazilian beach resort. Ever since, Buzios has become one of the hottest tourist destinations in Rio de Janeiro State, attracting visitors from all over the world, many of them celebrities including Mick Jagger, Cat Stevens and Seal.

Buzios has a population of less than 25,000, but that number increases by around three times during weekends and holidays. Despite being a hugely popular destination, Buzios still keeps an atmosphere that evokes its early days as a simple fishing village.

It's known throughout Brazil for the beauty of its azure sea, the cleanliness of its sand and the variety of its beaches. It's a popular destination for water sports fans, but it's also perfect for those who are just looking to relax and unwind, which is why it's such a favourite with celebrities taking a retreat.

There are plenty of top

restaurants, fancy spas and boutique hotels catering to the jet set, but holidaying here is not just for the rich and famous — the city has hotels, inns and hostels for all kinds of budgets.

It also doesn't matter what kind of beach you like: You'll find one that suits you well in Buzios. The city has more than 20 of them, each one with a different profile.

Geribá is probably the most famous and busiest beach in town. Located by open sea, it has clear water and it's a good place for practising water sports. Plenty of small, very cosy inns can be found along the shoreline.

Not very far from there, Ferradurinha Beach is probably one of the most beautiful spots in the whole country. Minuscule, it is not as charming as it used to be decades ago, when it was more difficult to access than it is today. Still, its landscape alone merits a visit.

If you can't resist paradise-like beaches, then the ones on your list should include Azeda, Azedinha, João Fernandes, João Fernandinho and Das Focas. But bear in mind that some of them can't be reached by car, only on foot.

Divers must try Tartaruga Beach. And those who like a challenging, agitated sea should look for Praia Brava, which means "angry beach" in Portuguese.

People with little children, on the other hand, should go to Ferradura Beach, with its very calm water. In Portuguese, Ferradura means "horseshoe,"

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and the beach is so named because it looks like one.

### Rua das Pedras: Buzios' trendiest spot

The city is very busy during the day, but it also boasts a lively nightlife. The heart of Buzios' night time activities is concentrated around Rua das Pedras (Stone Street), close to Armação Beach.

As the name says, the street is completely paved with stones, giving the place a rustic charm. Along the street you can find a lot of good restaurants, bars, and souvenir stores. There are also trendy

### More info

- [braziltour.com](http://braziltour.com)
- Buzios is 2.5-hour bus ride from Rio de Janeiro. Buses leave frequently from the latter city's bus station. Tickets cost around \$15.

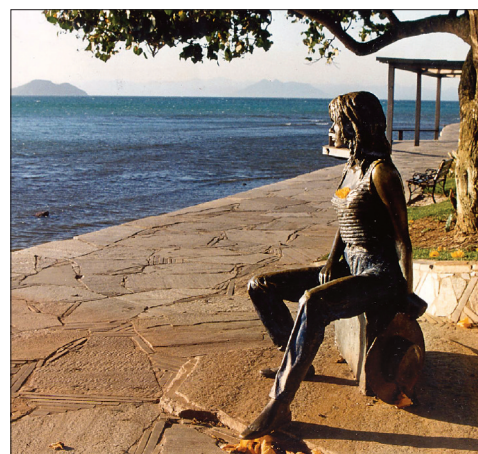
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clothes shops, and a few nightclubs full of beautiful, tanned people and the odd celebrity.

Some of the restaurants on Rua das Pedras have a great view of the sea — and of Bardot's seaside statue.



Above, a view of Buzios' Ferradurinha Beach



A bronze statue of Brigitte Bardot graces Armação Beach.



Above, a view of Azeda Beach

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**Ryanair predicts rise in passenger volume**

In a press conference yesterday punctuated with sideswipes at other carriers, Ryanair Chief Executive Michael O'Leary predicted the airline's passenger numbers would rise significantly in the current year, despite the downturn in air travel. **REUTERS**

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# Online agencies end airline booking fees

**Fees charged by the four U.S. online travel agencies to book most flights could be a thing of the past as the companies, hungry for market share, try to make their offerings more appealing to the traveling public.**

Orbitz Worldwide Mon-

day said it has permanently removed airline ticket booking fees on domestic and international flights. Travelocity said Monday it would continue to waive flight booking fees. Expedia Inc said the same thing last week.

The fee waivers at those

companies began this year as promotions. Priceline.com has not charged fees for published price airline bookings since 2007.

While the new fee waivers could stimulate travel bookings, they also threaten to erode revenue for the companies, which

have been suffering as the recession takes its toll on spending for business and leisure trips.

"To be honest, when they say permanent, I don't know how truthful that really is," said Morningstar analyst Warren Miller.

"I can't see them not coming back at some point. That's how they make money," he said.

Miller noted that online travel agencies typically make about 15 per cent of their total bookings value in fees. Of the three publicly traded online travel

agencies — Expedia, Priceline and Orbitz — only Priceline saw bookings growth in the first quarter.

The companies have been hit hard by economic woes and also by airline capacity cuts that reduce the number of tickets the travel agencies can sell. **REUTERS**

## Podcast tour of New York features TV, movie sites

**NEW YORK** Visitors to the Big Apple will be able to scope out some of the city's famous sites that have been featured in films and television shows with free podcasts unveiled by the city on Monday.

Listeners to the walking tours will be guided to the firehouse featured in the popular 1984 film *Ghost Busters* and the bar where the *Cosmopolitan* cocktail was created.

The walking tours called, *Made in NY: Walking Tours of Film and TV Locations*, will also feature street locations from films such as Woody Allen's 1977 hit, *Annie Hall*, and movies such as *Kramer vs. Kramer*, *Sophie's Choice*, and *Green Card*.

"It's so cool to be guided to the locations that were filmed on our city streets and in front of such iconic buildings," actor Matthew Modine said in a statement.

Modine, who starred in the film *Married to the Mob* and actress Julianna Margulies, of the television series *ER*, will narrate the podcasts that will begin with two tours in Manhattan, each one hour long.

The first tour will run from the Tribeca district to City Hall, taking in The Brooklyn Bridge and Foley Square, which is regularly seen in TV series *Law & Order*.

The second tour travels through the financial district, past the Statue of Liberty and shows locations from films including *Wall Street*, *Working Girl*, and *Men in Black*.

Other sites featured in the podcasts are from the TV series *Spin City* and *30 Rock*.

The podcasts are available through [www.nyc.gov/film](http://www.nyc.gov/film). Other New York areas will be featured in future podcasts, officials said. **REUTERS**

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## Trot In Time Horse and Buggy Rides is the perfect reason to visit Lunenburg

**LUNENBURG** - It's the "must-do" outing of the season: Basil Oickle, owner of Lunenburg's Trot in Time Horse and Buggy Rides, invites you and your family on an educational, affordable, and, most of all fun, 35-minute open-air tour that brings the sights of this UNESCO World Heritage town alive in a magical and entertaining way.

In a town filled with opportunities for learning and adventure Trot in Time stands out, offering an experience guaranteed to please the whole family. "The kids come first", explains Oickle with a twinkle in his eye, going on to recount one of his kid-friendly jokes: "Why do cows have bells? Because their horns don't work." And because the children are

entertained Mom and Dad can relax and enjoy the ride.

animals and Oickle call home.

Oickle created Trot in Time 14 years ago following the chance purchase of an old buggy. After a few years as a lawn ornament the cart underwent an extensive restoration and his first horse, Cindy, went into service. In other words, Oickle literally put the cart before the horse.

Tours leave from the Fisheries Museum parking lot approximately every half hour during daylight hours and in fair weather. After all, as Oickle reminds us, horses don't have headlights or windshield wipers! Visit [www.trotintime.ca](http://www.trotintime.ca) for more details.

Then he studied up on local history — historical facts as well as the ample and fascinating legends and folklore. Finding an amusing twist around every corner has become the hallmark of Oickle's operation which draws many repeat customers from both the "locals" and visitors. "When I make them laugh and they have a good time, that's what I call a pay day."

While humor definitely drives this business, hard work has paid off with a fleet that now includes seven horses, each with their own designated driver, and four wagons, as well as the farm in nearby Garden Lots that the





For the first time in six centuries, Milan's Gothic cathedral will hold its first rooftop classical music concerts, featuring a 60-piece orchestra and choir. The roof is one of Milan's top tourist attractions, with views stretching north to the snow-capped Alps. **REUTERS**

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## World's greatest ceilings

Michelangelo's painted ceiling in the Sistine Chapel in Rome may be the most lauded in the ceiling world, but it's far from the only one worth straining your neck to see. The editors and members of travel website VirtualTourist.com have compiled a list of the World's Top 10 Greatest Ceilings, apart from the Sistine Chapel:

**1 Bellagio Hotel; Las Vegas** The coloured disks that float on the ceiling of the Bellagio may look like multi-coloured jellyfish, but they are in fact thousands of hand-blown glass flowers. Like the town itself, it has to be seen to be believed.

**2 Debre Berhan Selassie Church; Gonder, Ethiopia** You'd never guess by looking at the outside of this small, relatively simple church that such stunning artwork graces the inside. It's said that none of the 104 winged cherubs that dot the ceiling are alike.

**3 Grand Central Station; New York City** Once covered in black grime, this ceiling was restored in the 1990s as part of the station's renovation and now depicts several signs of the

zodiac in beautiful sea-green and gold hues. There's even a little patch that was left dirty just to show the difference between the "before" and "after."

**4 Galeries Lafayette Department Store; Paris** The glass domed ceiling at the famed department store attracts as many tourists as shoppers. Unveiled in 1912, the dome is overshadowed only by the view from the store's terrace.

**5 Khai Dinh Tomb; Hue, Vietnam** It took 11 years to complete, but the results are pretty astounding with the ceiling featuring nine hand-painted dragons in fine, fleeting clouds.

**6 Sant'Ignazio Church; Rome** It's almost impossible to believe when looking at this multi-dimensional painting that the surface is actually flat. Perhaps one of the most incredible examples of "Trick of the Eye" paintings ever completed, it's a clear rival with its more famous nearby neighbour — the Sistine Chapel

**7 Sagrada Familia; Barcelona** No one could ever say this building was constructed too hastily. Start-



Visitors to Las Vegas check out the fountain display in front of the Bellagio Hotel.

ed in the 1800s and still unfinished, the imposing forest-like ceiling is as original as the rest of the Gaudi-designed church.

**8 Central Rotunda, Griffith Park Observatory; Los Angeles** Designed by Hollywood art director turned muralist Hugo Ballin, the subtle, circular painting depicts the signs of the zodiac and other celestial objects. An interesting side note: Ballin was a sketch artist on the film The Wizard of Oz, which might explain the ceiling's whimsical look.

**9 Macy's Department Store; Chicago** This genuine Tiffany ceiling is

so incredible it's enough to distract even the most ardent shopaholic. Over 100 years old, it's composed of more than 1.6 million pieces of glass and is considered by many to be one of the best examples of Tiffany craftsmanship ever constructed.

**10 Opera Garnier; Paris** Although the primary function of the building is to provide a stage for the city's extraordinary ballet company, Marc Chagall's ceiling mural is a show in itself. Thought to be somewhat incongruous with the building's architecture, it was the source of much controversy when added in 1964. **REUTERS**



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# Workology

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## Centre for Excellence

Okanagan College has launched a website with which visitors can track the development of the \$28-million Centre of Excellence in Sustainable Building Technologies and Renewable Energy Conservation, to be built at the college's Penticton campus. The school plans to install a webcam on the building site to allow users to watch the construction online.

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# Getting you back on your feet

## Head to Toe

JON TATTRE  
for Metro Canada

**Chiropody is for doctors who love a quick hit of success. "I've seen an elderly lady walking in with two canes ending up walking without a cane. Those are the kinds of things that will stay with you forever," says Andrew Springer, a chiropodist in Oshawa, Ont.**

"Career-wise, it's a wonderful opportunity for people who like immediate gratification because you get to impact on their quality of life," he explains. "I've often said to family doctors

that we're luckier than they are, because so often people go in (to family doctors) when they're sick and they don't see them again until they're sick again. We get to make them feel better."

Springer started out in zoology, but both of his parents independently suggested chiropody to him. "I decided to check it out. I had to choose between bugs and people, and people it was," the past president of the Ontario Society of Chiropodists explains.

Springer has been working since 1983 in many hospitals and health-care clinics. Like most chiropodists, wound up in private practice. He says chiropodists work hand in hand — or foot in foot? — with other doctors.

"We have to understand



Chiropody, the treatment of feet and their ailments, is for doctors who love a quick hit of success.

about all the body systems and how they're integrated. We have to be in a position to recognize other conditions so we can refer appropriately," he says. "If you stick with a rational treatment plan for somebody, 90

**"Career-wise, it's a wonderful opportunity for people who like immediate gratification because you get to impact on their quality of life."**

Chiropodist Dr. Andrew Springer

per cent of time you see an improvement in their comfort. It really can be a quality of life issue."

Problems of the feet sometimes point to bigger issues. When Springer worked in a general hospital, he had to rush a patient to emergency. "The evidence I saw in front of me was that he'd recently had a

stroke and he didn't even know."

The victim had sat down in his La-Z-Boy and couldn't get up. He had problems walking and went to Springer in the hopes a shoe insert would sort things out. "They think it's nothing related to anything bigger. 'My feet just aren't working properly.'"

To become a chiropodist, you need an undergraduate degree before studying at a health institute that teaches chiropody.

"It prepares people to deal with all the diseases, disorders and dysfunctions of the foot," says Springer.


For more of the Head to Toe exclusive series check Workology frequently or stop by: [metronews.ca/work](http://metronews.ca/work)



## Cooking with Conviction — and ex-cons

**BOLD BUSINESS IDEA** Veteran chef and restaurateur Marc Thuet and his wife and business partner Biana Zorich are taking a bite out of crime the only way they knows how — by putting former convicts to work creating food worth biting into. In a former life, the staff of Thuet's most arresting restaurant, Conviction, located in Toronto, have been on the wrong side of the law. Now, they create and serve gourmet-quality food and relish a second chance to make something meaningful of their lives. Production company Cineflix is filming a documentary on Conviction to be aired in fall, keep an eye out for it. See [convictionrestaurant.com](http://convictionrestaurant.com) for more

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**New patients for Celebrity Rehab**

# Entertainment

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## Teen queens

Disney Channel's teen queens will continue to reign. The network has ordered new seasons of *Hannah Montana* — starring Miley Cyrus — and *Sonny with a Chance*, starring Demi Lovato. **TVGUIDE.COM**



# Beyond his wildest dreams

Will Ferrell is back with *Land of the Lost*

NED EHRBAR  
for Metro Canada

Will Ferrell just wants to be taken seriously. The comic actor, who got his start on *Saturday Night Live* and has gone on to become one of the biggest comedy stars in Hollywood, loves making films like this week's *Land of the Lost*, don't get him wrong. But what he's really looking for is another *Stranger Than Fiction*, his critically acclaimed 2006 foray into more dramatic work.

"They're more difficult to find for me," Ferrell says of projects like *Stranger Than Fiction*. "I'm still not thought of in that way. I'm

still thought of more as just comedy." And with good reason. Ferrell's penchant for playing blowhards and self-important buffoons has led to some major box office successes.

And he hopes to add to that list with *Land of the Lost*, based on the popular Saturday morning kids' show by Sid and Marty Kroft. The film gives him a chance to work with one of his new favourite cohorts, Danny McBride. And both Ferrell and McBride are known for their improvisational skills.

"I shouldn't say this, but there's really no trick to it," Ferrell says of improv. "You just film, and if it works great, and if it doesn't you don't use it." Still, though he has such a strong improv background, Ferrell doesn't automatically turn to it. "I'm the first person in sup- port of doing the scene as written. Even though we love doing this, I'm always in fear that we're skipping past the written scene too quickly to get to the improv."

For all his hit comedies, including *Anchorman* and

Land of the  
Lost opens in  
theatres on  
Friday



Will Ferrell hopes to extend his comic success with *Land of the Lost*.

*Talladega Nights*, the actor has so far eschewed sequels or creating franchises, something producers and studios certainly aren't thrilled about. But Ferrell says it's less about not wanting to appear to be cashing in and more about not repeating himself.

"There are tons of original stories and brand-new characters to try as opposed to just automatically doing a sequel," Ferrell says.

Still, it's not out of the question. "We've just started playing around with the idea of *Anchorman* as a sequel," Ferrell admits.

"That's really found a foothold in the comedy cult world. It would be a lark to do that."

One character that he did recently revisit was George W. Bush, an impersonation he made famous back on SNL. Ferrell recently received an Emmy nomination for his limited-run Broadway show lampooning the former president, *You're Welcome America: A Final Night with George W. Bush*.

"There's this image that I've been doing a Bush impersonation every weekend somewhere around the country for five years now," Ferrell says, though he stopped playing Bush when he left SNL in 2002. "It was a fun thing to revisit and also put to bed at the same time."

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**Green to join One Tree Hill**

Beverly Hills 90210 and Terminator: The Sarah Connor Chronicles alum Brian Austin Green is in talks to join the CW's One Tree Hill in the series regular role of NBA-bound Nathan's sports agent. **TVGUIDE.COM**

# O'Brien's Tonight Show a work in progress

**TV** An English friend of mine got his first dose of Jay Leno and Conan O'Brien last week, and commented that while Jay seemed friendly and confident, his Tonight Show replacement was more of a cipher. He wondered, "Do you think O'Brien will fit in?"

That's the multimillion-dollar question. O'Brien has only taken over shows, and never originated his own. NBC's Tonight is bigger than O'Brien, which means he's got to conform to expectations — while trying to give it his imprimatur.

After one show, let's say he's a work in progress. O'Brien's debut appearance Monday opened up with a segment in which he ran cross-country from New York (Late Night's home) to the brand-new Universal Studios stage in Hollywood.

The layout fits traditional Tonight templates, but the new set is shaped by wavy arcs which, along with the redesigned show logo, call to mind a retro

look, as if 30 Rock's art deco design was also transplanted.

It was a debut episode designed for those with ADD: O'Brien's monologue included video gags on political figures, a paean to his 1992 Ford Taurus, his nosebleed seats at the Lakers game, and a stint guiding the Universal Studios Tour. When not immersed in pretaped segments, O'Brien commanded the stage, but seemed more comfortable laughing it up with erstwhile sidekick-turned-announcer Andy Richter than interacting with his 380 audience members. The band, led by Max Weinberg, got barely a nod.

Will Ferrell was a safe choice as a guest; he almost made O'Brien superfluous as he took over the house and deadpanned his way through the segment.

Conan O'Brien



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# Pukesh's passion tested

Lastest Top Model to be sent home maintains her vigor

**BRIAN COULTON**  
For Metro Canada

## In a model's life, it's all about balance.

That's the lesson the remaining nine women vying to be Canada's Next Top Model learned on last night's episode. Meeting Jay Manuel in a courtroom, the silver-haired show host greeting them from a judge's pedestal, the women learned they'd be thrown a staple Top Model challenge — to balance the look of an unfamiliar new makeover with a great photograph.

Looks of excitement overtook the women as judge Manuel sentenced them to be cut and coloured, several taking after beauty icons like Linda Evangelista, Debbie Harry and Bettie Page. The latter was the muse for Calgary's Nikita Kiceluk, who appeared to abhor the pinup girl's trademark short bangs.

But whether the model hopefuls took to their looks

instantly became secondary when given the week's photo challenge. To match their cutting-edge appearance, the women were whisked to the recently renovated Art Gallery of Ontario to pose in haute couture Italian fashions while balancing atop ladders in high heels, and with male models supporting them.

While Kiceluk most vocally loathed her look, she was hush-hush at the judging ceremony. The panel agreed her photograph was the week's strongest, advancing her to the competition's next stage.

Two women who wholeheartedly embraced their makeovers — Rebecca Wyse of Cambridge, Ont. and Vancouver's Jill Pukesh — found themselves teetering toward the bottom of the pack, when they were marked as the bottom two. But, when Wyse's pseudo-Twiggy pose came up against Pukesh's alleged lack of passion, it was the latter that lost her balance,



Canada's Next Top Model Jill Pukesh was the second woman to be sent home.

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"It does suck to get sent home so early but, at the same time, I'm not complaining because just getting on the show was good enough for me," said Pukesh on the phone from

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Vancouver. "It was kind of like getting behind the scenes of what the industry really is like on a day-to-day basis."

She acknowledges the importance of having passion in the modeling industry and said she obviously had it, or she wouldn't have auditioned. "Just because I'm not head over heels wailing on the show, doesn't mean I don't have passion."

And while she said she might have tried harder to convey her vigor when speaking with judges, Pukesh maintains that with her, what you see is what you get.

"I'm not going to change who I am just to suck up to anyone. I know that I have passion, and that's all that matters to me."

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## critics' corner

### The New Adventures of Old Christine

Christine (Julia Louis-Dreyfus) is absolutely thrilled when a talent scout recruits Ritchie (Trevor Gagnon) to audition for a commercial after seeing his standout performance in a school play, but for some reason Richard (Clark Gregg) refuses to allow it in "Self-Esteem Tempura." Hamish Linklater, Emily Rutherford, Tricia O'Kelley and Alex Kapp Horner also star. 9 PM on ASN, CBS



### Law & Order

The murder of a well-known charity executive leads Detectives Lupo and Bernard (Jeremy Sisto, Anthony Anderson) down a path of political intrigue that includes a provocative connection among the victim's secretary, her ex-boyfriend and the wife of a leading politician. S. Epaphia Merkerson, Sam Waterston, and Linus Roache also star in the new episode "The Drowned and the Saved." 11 PM on ASN, NBC

### Tattoo Highway

On his birthday, Chili asks Thomas to tattoo a note that his mother once wrote him on his palm, while the crew comes up with a more conventional gift: a stripper. Thomas hits a fire hydrant with an RV he rented to take his crew on a trip to the mountains, so they pay for the damage by tattooing the hookers at the Mustang Ranch. 11 PM on A&E

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- Black Eyed Peas - Boom Boom Pow
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Katie Couric poked fun at her "cougar" label while giving the Class Day address at Princeton University on Monday. "I've been called a cougar lately," she said, but "I'm very happy to be an honorary Tiger instead," referring to the school's mascot. **USMAGAZINE.COM**

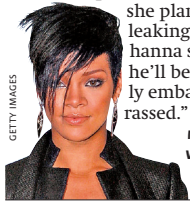
**Tiger Katie, not Cougar Katie**

## Celebrity Buzz

### Rihanna's nude photo revenge

**GETTING EVEN** Understandably, Rihanna isn't pleased about photos, allegedly showing her naked, that leaked online. According to a source, she knows Chris Brown was behind it — and now, she's ready for revenge.

"She says she's going to release her own photos of Chris," the source tells Star magazine. "She has less-than-flattering nude pics of him that she plans on leaking. Rihanna says he'll be really embarrassed."



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### Britney kicks the Circus up a notch

**THE AFTER-PARTY** Britney Spears is reportedly planning to kick things up a notch for her London Circus tour, by hiring naked acrobats, topless burlesque performers and dancing dwarves to perform after each of her eight shows.

"Britney wanted to throw parties people will be talking about for years," a source says, according to Hollyscoop. "I promise you, you've never seen anything so explicit in your life."

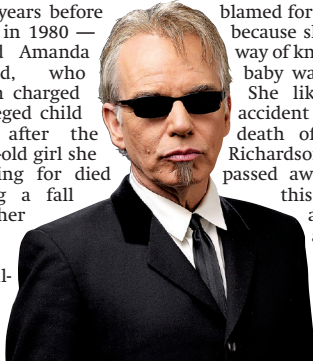
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## Tot's death like Natasha's?

**TRAGEDY** Billy Bob Thornton's ex-wife has compared the death of the toddler their daughter was babysitting to the passing of Natasha Richardson, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

Melissa Parish — who was married to Thornton for two years before splitting in 1980 — defended Amanda Brumfield, who has been charged with alleged child neglect after the one-year-old girl she was caring for died following a fall from her playpen.

Brumfield allegedly witnessed



the accident, which took place in her Florida home last October, but failed to call an ambulance, the website reports. Brumfield says the baby seemed "happy and playful."

Parish thinks her daughter should not be blamed for the death because she had no way of knowing the baby was injured. She likened the accident to the death of Natasha Richardson, who passed away earlier this year after a skiing accident, even though she felt fine after the fall.

Parish explained: "There are no signs of distress, then there is no reason to immediately call police."

More than two hours after the fall, Brumfield allegedly awoke from a nap to find the toddler "limp." Doctors later discovered she had died as a result of a fractured skull and a subdural hematoma.

Detectives investigating the case claim Brumfield's story is inconsistent with the girl's injuries and charged her with child neglect causing harm or disability on Friday.

She was later released on bail. Thornton's publicist said the actor hasn't spoken to Brumfield for "a substantial number of years."

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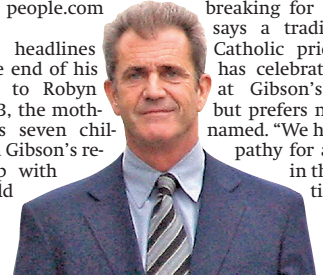
## Thou shalt not gossip

**COMMANDMENT** Mel Gibson has asked his fellow parishioners at the Holy Family Chapel in Agoura Hills, Calif., not to gossip about him, and recently hasn't been taking Communion, people.com reports.

Recent headlines about the end of his marriage to Robyn Moore, 53, the mother of his seven children, and Gibson's relationship with 39-year-old Russian musician Oksana

Grigorieva — who is pregnant with his child — have inevitably raised questions about how the devout star's faith will mesh with his private life.

"It would be heart-breaking for Gibson," says a traditionalist Catholic priest who has celebrated Mass at Gibson's chapel but prefers not to be named. "We have sympathy for a person in that situation."



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## Nothing sexy about sex scenes: Radcliffe

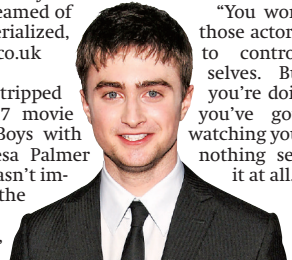
**THE HONEST TRUTH** Daniel Radcliffe was disappointed after he filmed his first on-screen love scene — because the "sexy" moment he dreamed of never materialized, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The star stripped off for 2007 movie December Boys with co-star Teresa Palmer — but he wasn't impressed by the experience.

He says,

"Whenever you watch those scenes in films you always think, 'That must be so sexy to do and wouldn't that be amazing.'"

"You wonder how those actors manage to control themselves. But when you're doing it and you've got people watching you, there is nothing sexy about it at all."



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## For sale: LiLo's borrowed car

**CELEBRITY SOUVENIR** Lindsay Lohan's borrowed sports car is up for auction, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The Maserati Quattroporte car — worth \$115,000 US — was put on website eBay by its owner Dennis DeSantis, with a starting price of \$25,000.

He had lent the white car to the actress in March, but

days later her assistant had an accident while driving, causing around \$10,000 of damage to its front.

Pornography producer DeSantis reportedly wasn't worried by the damage to the car, however, and had sent it back to her as soon as it was repaired.

Lohan, 22, drove the car until it was removed by tow truck on May 27

for being illegally parked near her ex-girlfriend Samantha Ronson's home in Los Angeles. She instead rented a black Rolls Royce Silver Phantom.

The auction listing for the Maserati says it has been driven by Lohan, but doesn't mention any accidents. Fans have until June 11 to make a bid for the vehicle.



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## Paris was Bruno's original victim?

**20/20 HINDSIGHT** It turns out Eminem wasn't the first choice to play victim to Sasha Baron Cohen's Bruno character at the MTV Movie Awards.

A production insider tells Life & Style Weekly that producer Mark Burnett first approached Paris Hilton about the stunt,

but she declined. "Paris is quite happy she turned down the offer," the source says,

adding that Burnett cleared the prank with Eminem beforehand, though the rapper wasn't aware of exactly how underdressed Cohen would be.



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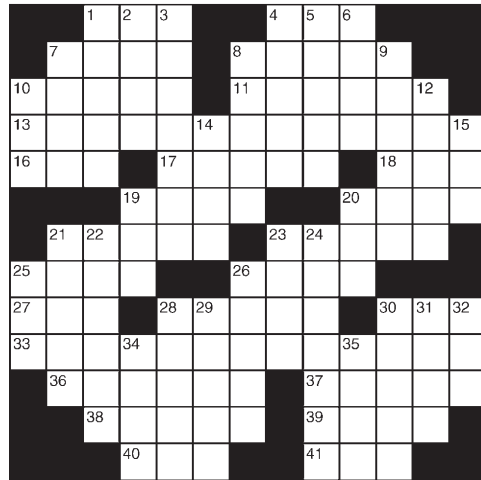
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## Take Five



### Crossword across

- 1 Part of T.G.I.F.
- 4 Dietitian's stat
- 7 Recognize
- 8 Express schadenfreude
- 10 Paris' subway
- 11 Boardinghouse occupant
- 13 Frankster's time
- 16 Carnival city
- 17 Camel's cousin
- 18 Lemieux milieu
- 19 Witnessed
- 20 Poolroom supply
- 21 Steak variety
- 23 Gene Krupa's set
- 25 Two-way
- 26 Battle in the ring
- 27 Tarzan's creator's monogram
- 28 "Hammerin' Hank"
- 30 Schlep
- 33 State of delusory happiness
- 36 Suitor's actions
- 37 "Haystacks" artist
- 38 Art-class models, often
- 39 Newspaper page
- 40 Afternoon affair
- 41 Barbie's companion

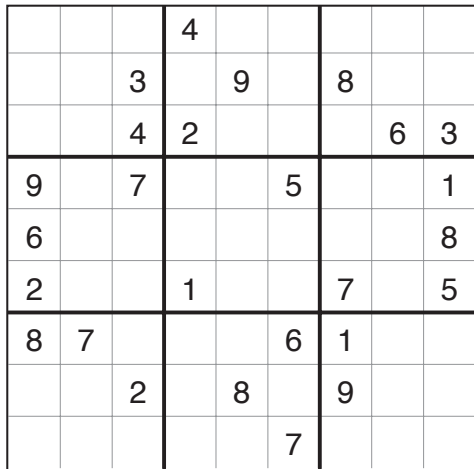
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- 1 Preamble
- 2 Actress Spelling
- 3 Distended
- 4 Flourish
- 5 Simoleons
- 6 Pet food brand
- 7 French military cap
- 8 React to a pun
- 9 Monotony
- 10 Scratch
- 12 Marathons, e.g.
- 14 Run off
- 15 "Of course"
- 19 Fa follower
- 20 Director's cry
- 21 "Presumed Innocent" author
- 22 Mandrill, e.g.
- 23 Room access
- 24 Go wild
- 25 Dict. info
- 26 Boasts
- 28 Comment to the audience
- 29 Sleep-clinic study
- 30 Sheets and such
- 31 Secondhand
- 32 Obtain
- 34 Lummo
- 35 Blockhead

### Sudoku

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**HOW TO PLAY:** Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone – one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.



### PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:



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7	2	3	1	6	5	4	8	9
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### SUDOKU SOLVE TIME:

- Under 13 min .....Genius  
13-17 min .....Scholar  
17-21 min .....Smart  
21-25 min .....Not bad  
25+ min .....Keep practising

### Metro Recipe of the Day

#### Indian-style Broiled Chicken

##### INGREDIENTS:

4 skinless boneless chicken breast halves  
Canola oil for brushing  
Lemon or lime wedges, to serve  
Fresh cilantro sprigs

##### YOGURT MARINADE

1 garlic clove, crushed  
1 tbsp (15 ml) minced fresh ginger  
1 1/2 tsp (7 ml) tomato paste  
1 1/2 tsp (7 ml) garam masala or curry powder  
1 1/2 tsp (7 ml) ground coriander  
1 1/2 tsp (7 ml) ground cumin  
1/4 tsp (1 ml) ground turmeric  
Pinch cayenne pepper, or to taste  
7 tbsp (100 ml) plain low-fat yogurt

##### RAITA

1 1/2 cups (375 ml) plain low-fat yogurt  
1 cucumber, about 10 oz (300 g), quartered and seeded  
1 small tomato, seeded and finely chopped  
1/2 tsp (2 ml) ground coriander  
1/2 tsp (2 ml) ground cumin  
Pinch cayenne pepper  
Pinch salt

##### METHOD:

1. Preheat broiler to high. For marinade, put garlic, ginger, tomato paste, garam masala, cilantro, cumin, turmeric, cayenne and yogurt into bowl and whisk. Transfer to bowl large enough to hold all chicken pieces.  
2. Score two slits on each side of chicken breasts. Place in marinade, turning to coat and rubbing



marinade into slits (If you have time, leave chicken to marinate in refrigerator overnight).  
3. Brush broiler rack with oil, then place chicken pieces on top. Broil, turning and basting with remaining marinade, until chicken is tender, juices run clear when chicken is pierced with knife, and marinade looks lightly charred, 12 to 15 minutes.  
4. Meanwhile, make raita. Place yogurt in bowl. Coarsely grate cucumber, then squeeze to remove as much moisture as possible. Stir cucumber, tomato, ground coriander, cumin, cayenne, and salt into yogurt. Spoon raita into serving bowl.  
5. Transfer chicken pieces to serving plate. Add lemon or lime wedges and garnish with cilantro sprigs. Serve with raita on side.

##### SERVES 4



## Horoscopes by Sally Brompton

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### ARIES MARCH 21-APRIL 20

If you do not know how to do something yourself you must consult an expert. You may not want to admit that you are behind the times.

### LIBRA SEPT 23-OCT 23

You will get the chance to make your dreams — well, some of them anyway — come true when the Sun transits the midheaven angle of your chart.

### TAURUS APRIL 21-MAY 21

Claims on your time and your energy are coming thick and fast and there is a real danger you might exhaust yourself.

### SCORPIO OCT 24-NOV 22

This may be a difficult time of year for you but it's not as bad as you think, especially in some of your more negative moments.

### GEMINI MAY 22-JUNE 21

After your recent exertions you might be tempted to slow down a bit and take a break but the planets suggest you are about to get your second wind.

### SAGITTARIUS NOV 23-DEC 21

Some people can be obstructive merely for the fun of it and one such person will get you steamed up today.

### CANCER JUNE 22-JULY 22

If you put yourself out for friends, family and even total strangers over the next 24 hours they will repay you many times over.

### CAPRICORN DEC 22-JAN 20

It may annoy you that there are so many obstacles preventing you from your goal, but one day soon you will recognize that it was in your own best interests.

### LEO JULY 23-AUG 23

The planets warn you have begun to take a friendship for granted and there could be a shock in store around the time of Sunday's full moon.

### AQUARIUS JAN 21-FEB 18

The Sun in Gemini gives you a more uplifting outlook on life and soon those hardships you have been battling will seem quite minor.

### VIRGO AUG 24-SEPT 22

Your physical and emotional batteries desperately need to be recharged but you can't see yourself finding the time to take things easy for a day.

### PISCES FEB 19-MARCH 20

There may be some depressing events taking place in the world around you but there is no reason why you personally should feel down about it.

## This day in history

- JUNE 3, 1935: One thousand unemployed workers board freight cars in Vancouver, B.C., beginning a protest trek to Ottawa, Ont.  
JUNE 3, 1956: British Rail renames Third Class passenger facilities as Second Class (Second Class facilities had been abolished in 1875, leaving just First Class and Third Class).  
JUNE 3, 1962: An Air France Boeing 707 charter, Chateau de Sully crashed after aborted takeoff from Paris, killing 130. The largest single plane accident to date.  
JUNE 3, 2006: The union of Serbia and Montenegro comes to an end with Montenegro's formal declaration of independence.

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## WORDY GURDY®

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1. Give a salary to "Anatomy" author (1)
2. TV host Dr. McGraw is going to (1)
3. Those people's body "fur" (1)
4. Chap's "knock knock" offerings (1)
5. Putting an end to renting (2)
6. Drummer Starr's outback dogs (2)
7. Dieter Bertinelli's art salons (3)

Every answer is a rhyming pair of words (like FAT CAT and DOUBLE TROUBLE), and they will fit in the letter squares. The number after the definition tells you how many syllables in each word.

ANSWERS: 1. CEASING LEASING 2. PAID WILL 3. THEIR HAIR 4. BLORES JOKES 5. PAY GRAB 6. AVYARD 7. PAV GRAB

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